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## SITUATION STILL OBSCURE Germans Claim To Be In Luck

### AXIS CAUTION ON RUSSIA

"The fighting in the Russo-German war is still in its early stages and will demand a further big effort on the part of the Axis," states Signor Gayda, in the "Giornale d'Italia," continuing the Italian press warning against the belief that the war will soon be over.

Gayda adds: "The fighting on the Russian front does not present possibilities of easy victories. It is prudent not to exaggerate the facts nor to talk about decisive developments."

"The Russians still dispose great masses of men and material and has well prepared defence lines in huge territories which will certainly assist the defence."—*Reuter*.

### 2,000 Arrests In France

Arrests of Communists in Paris are reported to have run to 2,000 as part of the widespread police round-up, following Vichy's breach with Russia, states the Vichy correspondent of the Zurich newspaper "Neutzuerecher Zeitung."

The correspondent adds: "The Russian Embassy buildings in Vichy are guarded by soldiers. A sharp watch is being kept at the town's exits."

Many Russians have been arrested and energetic action taken against Communists in other parts of France."

The "Gazette Lausanne" reports from Vichy that as evidence of the powerful French Communist organisation, the Communist newspaper, "Humanite," though banned, since the beginning of the war has been appearing regularly in several French towns.—*Reuter*.

### SWEDISH AID TO FINLAND

Sweden having decided not to raise a volunteer force for the war against Soviet Russia, Swedish volunteers will be attached to the Finnish formations, states the Finnish radio.—*Reuter*.

## Stalin Now In Supreme Command

### CHINA BREAKS OFF RELATIONS WITH AXIS

The Foreign Office in Chungking has cabled Mr. Chen Chieh, Chinese Ambassador to Berlin, and Mr. Hsu Tao-lin, Chinese Charge d'Affaires in Rome, instructing the Chinese diplomatic representatives in Germany and Italy to return to China.—*Reuter*.

### SOVIET SOLDIER PUTTING UP A GRAND SHOW

"THE SOVIET SOLDIER HAS OFTEN SHOWN A GREATER CONTEMPT FOR DEATH THAN HIS ADVERSARY DURING THE PRESENT FIGHTING," SAYS THE BERLIN CORRESPONDENT OF THE ZURICH NEWSPAPER, "NATIONAL ZEITUNG," QUOTING GERMAN PRESS REPORTS.

The correspondent adds: "His tenacity, combined with a certain fatalism, enables him to hold out until he is blown up together with his pillbox."

### ARTILLERY DUEL AT HANGOE

According to Swedish correspondents in the Helsingfor area, an artillery duel has been proceeding at Hangoe since June 25.

Silence of the Russians on Saturday gave rise to rumours that they had prepared to yield. It is computed that there are 25,000 Russians in the Hangoe area where there are two or

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

ALTHOUGH THERE IS NO DIRECT NEWS TO INDICATE THE REAL POSITION SINCE THE GERMANS ANNOUNCED THAT PANZER DIVISIONS WERE STREAMING ALONG THE ROAD FROM MINSK TO MOSCOW, THE LATEST SOVIET COMMUNIQUE REFERS TO A DEFEAT INFLICTED ON THE PANZER UNITS BETWEEN MINSK AND BARANOVITCH.

There is no confirmation of reports that the Germans have occupied Minsk, but the heavy pressure of the German forces between Minsk and Vilna places the Red Army south in a difficult position.

Stalin has now taken over virtual personal command of the Red Armies, with Marshal Voroshiloff as his right hand man. In a fierce battle near Mursk with Finnish and German troops cooperating in the attack.

it is claimed in Moscow that the enemy has been hurled back repeatedly.—*International News Service*.

### Fall Of Luck Claimed

It is announced in London that the official German News Agency has claimed the capture of Luck in Poland.

German tanks which pushed ahead of the main body were responsible for the capture of Luck, according to a circumstantial story broadcast last night by the Official German News Agency, which claims that they were cut off by the collapse of a burning bridge but overcame firstly, two Soviet tanks, then three heavy anti-tank guns, and finally four more Soviet tanks and an armoured observation car. (Continued on Page 16)

### U.S. AND ENTRY INTO WAR

Everyone is against war, just as everyone is against sin, said President Roosevelt at his Press Conference held at Hyde Park, near New York, yesterday.

The President reaffirmed his hope that America could stay out of the war, but he went on to draw a distinction between hope and belief.

It was obvious, he said, how anyone would vote in a poll on whether the United States should plunge actively in a conflict with the Axis.

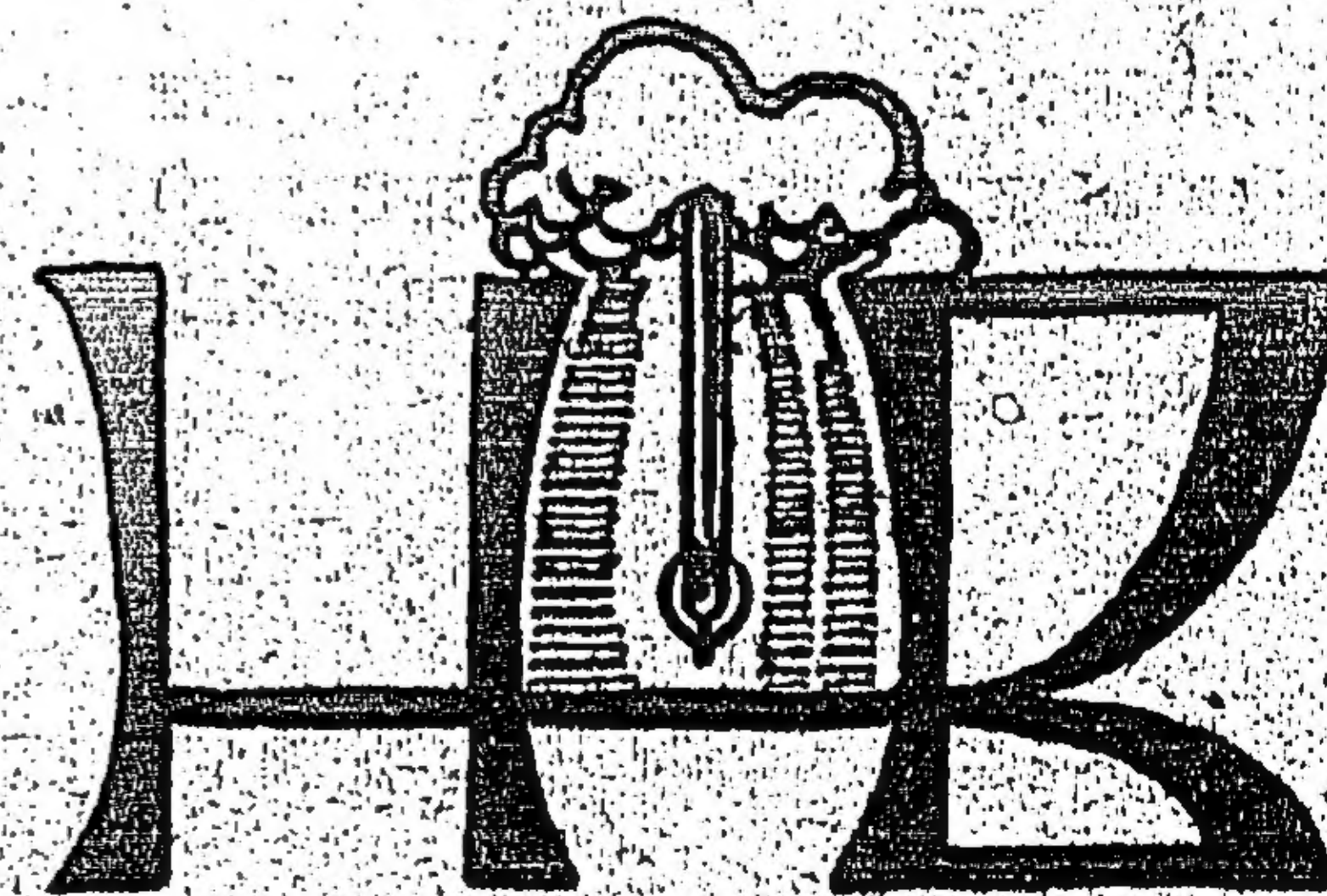
President Roosevelt, in the last two months, has often asserted that he hoped the United States would keep out of the European conflict. To-day reiteration followed recent criticism of the Administration's policy, that the country was being led along the road to active participation.

The President declined to discuss the espionage arrests carried out by the F.B.I.—*Reuter*.

### A.R.P. IN INDIA

The Air Raid Precautions Staff School of the Raj opened in Calcutta yesterday and will train A.R.P. officers and instructors for provincial governments and also for certain industrial and public utility concerns.—*Reuter*.

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# Air Force Coup In Heavy Raid On Harbour At Tripoli

## VICHY ON SYRIAN CAMPAIGN

The following Vichy communique on the Syrian fighting was given on the German-controlled Paris Radio last night:—

"The principal efforts of the British troops continue to be directed on Palmyra and the coastal sector.

"In spite of violent bombing, our troops of the Palmyra garrison were able to maintain their positions. They repulsed the British attack inflicting considerable losses on the English.

Then the garrison effected a heavy attack on British positions. Many prisoners were taken and important war materials were seized.

"In the same sector, our heavy bombers attacked a group of armoured vehicles belonging to the enemy and destroyed much material. Three of our aircraft have not returned.

"In the Merdj Ayoun sector, there has been artillery activity. On the coast, casualties have been caused by the bombing of Beirut. The British Air Force has received numerous reinforcements within the last few days, and increased its attacks especially on our aerodromes."—Reuter.

## NEW GOVERNOR OF BARBADOS

Sir Henry Gratten Bushe, legal adviser to the Dominions Office and Colonial Office, has been appointed Governor of Barbados.

He will succeed Sir John Waddington who has been appointed Governor of Northern Rhodesia.—Reuter.

## Reinforcements Caught In Process Of Disembarkation

ACCORDING TO A Royal Air Force Middle East communique issued in Cairo yesterday, big Axis ships in Tripoli Harbour were severely damaged by the R.A.F. and many casualties were caused by R.A.F. aircraft when machine-gunning disembarking troops.

Seven Axis 'planes were destroyed by British fighters which were protecting British ships off the coast.

The communique adds: "Tripoli: Bomber aircraft of the R.A.F. carried out a number of successful raids on the harbour at Tripoli. Several hits were obtained on enemy vessels. An enemy aerodrome in the same area was also attacked by our bombers. These bombs started fires among the dispersed enemy aircraft. At least five were destroyed while a large transport aircraft was destroyed by machine-gun fire.

### Malta Raid

"Malta: A number of Italian 'planes which approached Malta on Monday were intercepted by our fighters some miles out at sea. Two of the enemy were shot down and a number of others damaged. "Cyrenaica: Fighters of the R.A.F. and South African Air Force, carrying out a covering patrol over our ships off the coast of Cyrenaica on Monday, drove off a number of enemy aircraft which attempted several attacks. During these engagements they shot down one German fighter, two German dive-bombers and

two Italian fighters and damaged several other German fighters. "Syria: Raids were carried out on Monday on enemy aerodromes in Syria. At Aleppo, bombs fell on the centre of a runway and in front of hangars. At Palmyra, bombs were dropped and a number of twin-engined aircraft damaged.

### Numerous Casualties

Much damage was also done to buildings and numerous casualties inflicted. An attack was also carried out on Souleida where direct hits were obtained on military buildings. During the night of Sunday and Monday a heavy raid was made on the harbour and shipping at Beirut. Bombs were seen to burst on the central quay and northern mole and a number of fires were started. "From all these operations two of our aircraft are missing."—Reuter.

### One Vessel Blown Up

It was officially announced in Cairo yesterday that the R.A.F. bombed Tripoli Harbour and hit several enemy vessels. One vessel blew up and other large ships, including one of about 25,000 tons, were severely damaged.—Reuter.

## Sweep Over The Channel

R.A.F. bombers, guarded by scores of fighters, crossed the Channel early last evening to continue their offensive over Northern France

As they passed over a Kent town, some of them in the direction of Dunkirk, watchers lost count of the number of fighters roaring overhead.

Soon after the leading formation had passed out of sight, buildings on the English side of the Channel began to tremble with the crash of falling bombs on the French side of the water.—Reuter.

## EVIDENCE OF BRITISH STRENGTH

Reviewing the events of June in the Mediterranean area, the well-known Swedish military expert, Colonel Bratt, singles out General Wavell's simultaneous mechanised attack in Cyrenaica and the offensive in Syria.

The Colonel says that it must be admitted that it was highly original thus to strike in two directions at once; this is evidence of British strength.—Reuter.

## SIEGE OF PALMYRA

"The situation in Palmyra is considered satisfactory," declared military circles in Cairo last night. It was revealed that the light British investing forces which completed the encirclement of the town on Monday were "now being reinforced."—Reuter.

## EMPIRE AIR SCHEME PROGRESS

Major J. C. Power, Canadian Air Minister, who arrived in England yesterday from Canada, told a press conference in London, that the Empire Air training scheme was well ahead of schedule.

Major Power added that about 80 per cent. of the original plan was now in operation. There were about 115 training units.

From seven to 10 per cent. of the air crews were United States citizens and American Civil pilots who were being used as instructors in bombing and gunnery.

The output of pilots was up to expectations and there was no shortage of air crew recruits.

The chief object of Major Power's mission, which will last about two weeks, is to discuss with Sir Archibald Sinclair, British Air Minister, administrative problems arising from the joint air training plans for Canada and Britain.—Reuter.

## EXTENSIVE R.A.F. DAYLIGHT RAIDS ON GERMANY

AN EVEN MORE extensive daylight operation by British bombers over North-West Germany was announced by the Air Ministry in a communique issued last night.

The communique revealed that Oldenburg railway yard and the seaplane base at Borkum were among the objectives attacked.

"In daylight this (Tuesday) morning," says the statement, "Blenheim aircraft of the Coastal Command again flew over north-west Germany and bombed various objectives.

"In Oldenburg railway goods yard, to the south of the town, which was also attacked, a large fire was started. Barges on the canal in the neighbourhood were machine-gunned.

"Two British aircraft are missing from this operation.

"During the afternoon, heavy bombers operating off the Frisian Islands attacked the seaplane base at Borkum and bombs were seen to burst among the hangars and other buildings. Strong fighter opposition was encountered and one British bomber was shot down.

### Battle With Six

"One British bomber was unsuccessfully engaged by six fighters and beat off the attack after the rear gunner had been wounded and had been replaced by another member of the crew. One enemy fighter was shot down into the sea and several others were seen to be damaged.

"R.A.F. fighters carried out offensive patrols over northern France during the early afternoon without incident. This evening a large offensive sweep took place on which reports are not yet available."—Reuter.

### ALEXANDRIA RAID

The Egyptian Ministry of the Interior states that Alexandria was raided early yesterday morning. Bombs caused four casualties, one of them fatal. There was slight damage to property.—Reuter.

## CARRYING WAR INTO AXIS CAMP

Carrying the air war into Axis camps throughout the Middle East as well as over France, British aircraft yesterday added to their tally 15 Axis machines with the loss of two.

This was only one day's score in the long list of shattering blows which British pilots have struck at the Axis air strength in the Middle East since the beginning of the year.

Straffings in the air and on the ground, according to official figures, have resulted in the destruction of 1,483 Axis machines against 65 Imperial aircraft lost.

The enemy losses included 505 Vichy machines of which 210 were accounted for in June.

Yesterday's R.A.F. communique also reported severe damage to Axis shipping, seaplanes, and troops in Tripoli Harbour.—Reuter.



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# GEN. WAVELL CHANGES POSTS

## Gen. Auchinleck For Middle East Command Member Of War Cabinet For Cairo

GENERAL SIR ARCHIBALD WAVELL IS BEING TRANSFERRED FROM CAIRO TO BECOME COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF, INDIA, AND GENERAL SIR CLAUDE AUCHINLECK IS TAKING OVER THE MIDDLE EAST COMMAND.

This unexpected change in Army commands was revealed in two announcements issued by Mr. Churchill from No. 10, Downing Street, last night, the second of which disclosed the appointment of Mr. Oliver Lyttelton (formerly President of the Board of Trade) to represent the War Cabinet in the Middle East.

"It is understood that these are wartime appointments, the duration of which depends upon the military situation."

The announcement concerning Mr. Lyttelton said: "His Majesty has been pleased to approve the appointment of the Rt. Honourable Oliver Lyttelton to be a Minister of State. Mr. Lyttelton will be a member of the War Cabinet and will represent the War Cabinet in the Middle East, where he will concert of their behalf the measures necessary for the prosecution of the war in the theatre and the conduct of military operations."

### New Chief

General Sir Claude Auchinleck, the new Commander-in-Chief, Middle East, was in command of the Allied forces which captured Narvik in the Norwegian campaign.

He has a high reputation for highness in outlook and vigour in action. Born in 1884, he became C. in C., India, early this year.

He began his army career in India in 1904 and it was so marked with distinction that he was soon spoken of as a future supreme commander of the Army in India.

An expedition against rebellious North-West Frontier tribesmen which he led in 1935 is regarded as one of the best executed minor campaigns in the history of the North-West Frontier.

He served in Egypt, Aden, Iraq and Southern Kurdistan during the Great War. Before going to India as C. in C. this year, he was G.O.C. in Chief of the Southern Command in England and was in charge of the strengthening of the defences on the southern coast.

### Wavell And Russia

General Sir Archibald Wavell, regarded by the Germans as Britain's No. 1 general, whose brilliant strategy has met with such outstanding success in North Africa and the Middle East, has had complete authority in the Middle East and operations for 12 months.

A quick thinker, a shrewd judge of men, and a great leader, General Wavell knows Russia as well as he knows Africa. He was in Russia as Military Attache before the Revolution, and he has been there several times since. On the last occasion, his despatches home contained high approval of the Red Army's infiltration tactics by parachute.—Reuter.

## BIG DRIVE TO BUILD BOMBERS

AMERICAN PLANE BUILDERS ARE POOLING THEIR RESOURCES TO GIVE UNITED STATES AND BRITAIN AN UNPRECEDENTED FLEET OF LONG RANGE FOUR-ENGINE HEAVY BOMBERS REACHING 500 A. MONTH. THE AMERICAN AERONAUTICAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN LOS ANGELES ANNOUNCED YESTERDAY.

Colonel John Jouett, President of the Chamber said that these planes could convey shipping from America to Britain.

The Boeing organisation of Seattle, the Douglas of Santa Monica, California, and the Vega of Burbank, California, have agreed on cooperative production of Boeing B-17 bombers.—Reuter.

## FRENCH MISSION TO TURKEY

Ankara Radio announced last night that President Inonu yesterday received M. Benoist Machin, French Minister without Portfolio, who is on a mission to the Turkish capital.

The announcer said that the French Minister was the bearer of a friendly letter from Marshal Petain.

M. Sarajoglu, Turkish Foreign Minister, and the French Charge d'Affaires were present at the interview.—Reuter.

## MAKES NO DIFFERENCE TO U.S.A.

Mr. Sumner Welles, at a press conference in Washington yesterday, said that the formal recognition by Germany and Italy of the Japanese puppet government at Nanking, makes no change whatever in the relations of the United States with China and Japan.—Reuter.

## RUSSIA'S REQUEST OF U.S.

MR. SUMNER WELLES, ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE, DISCLOSED TO-DAY THAT RUSSIA HAD MADE THE FIRST OVERTURES TO THE UNITED STATES FOR SUPPLIES.

M. Oumansky, Soviet Ambassador to Washington, conferred with Mr. Sumner Welles yesterday on the placing of orders for materials for Russia.

Mr. Welles said that the request had been forwarded to other interested government departments but he declined to give details regarding the materials wanted, explaining that the information could not be given as Russia was a belligerent.—Reuter.

### SOVIETS INTERESTS

Italian interests in the Soviet will be attended to by Japan; and Soviet interests in Italy will be attended to by Sweden, says the Swiss Radio quoted by Reuter.

## Wang Returns Thanks

The Axis de jure recognition of the Japanese-sponsored government at Nanking, was officially communicated by cable from Herr Ribbentrop, on behalf of Hitler, and by Count Ciano, on behalf of Mussolini, congratulating "Prime Minister" Wang Ching-wei "on the healthy growth of the new government of China."

Wang Ching-wei described the Axis act as a great contribution to world peace.

He said his Government would strive to create a sphere of prosperity in East Asia in cooperation with Japan and other nations in the Far East as a contribution to a new world order.

Early mutual appointments of Ambassadors is expected.—Reuter.

## MOSCOW APPEAL TO DOCTORS

Among the appeals made by the Moscow radio last night was one for increased numbers of medical men and women to ensure that the great length of the fighting front would have adequate medical provision.

Many women students have already volunteered. Another exhortation was addressed to all Red soldiers to keenly watch for German soldiers wearing Red Army uniforms. They were warned that they were fighting a foe who would try every dastardly trick.—Reuter.

## REPARATION DEMAND

The United States are demanding one million dollars, reparation for the recent sinking of the American ship Robin Moor by a German submarine, according to a Washington telegram to the "Journal-American."

Senator Walsh is asking Senator Knox to answer the charges made by Senator Wheeler that the United States is sinking submarines, say the same correspondent.—Reuter.

## BRITISH BUDGET POLICY IN A NUTSHELL

THE BRITISH Government's fiscal policy was yesterday put in a nutshell by Sir Kingsley Wood, Chancellor of the Exchequer, speaking on the third reading of the Budget in the House of Commons.

He asked the House to regard the Budget as an integral feature of the Government's economic policy, which finds expression also in the limitation of supplies, concentration of industry, the rationing of food and clothing, and price control.

"The question is not whether we can finance the war, but whether we shall conduct it in the manner calculated to combat inflation and thus avoid the severest of hardships on all classes."

"It is my desire and intention, resolutely to fight against inflation."

"The current rate of taxation has been fixed, but to deal with the inflation gap we must look to an increase in the rate of genuine saving."

### Rigid Economy

Sir Kingsley Wood continued: "The policy of genuine savings must be related to rigid economy in private affairs, drastic curtailment of civilian consumption. Every penny saved and lent to the nation is an extra contribution to victory."

The third reading was adopted without a division.—Reuter.

## MAHRATTA LI'S ACHIEVEMENTS

THE FIFTH MAHRATTA LIGHT INFANTRY TOOK A PROMINENT PART IN THE FIGHTING IN ERITREA, PARTICULARLY AT K-E-R-E-N, STATES A PRESS NOTE ISSUED IN SIMLA YESTERDAY.

At Ummhaagar, they participated in a little campaign all on their own, following up a retreating garrison and capturing prisoners and equipment.

Up to date the regiment has received one Bar to the D.S.O., one D.S.O., four M.C.'s, five I.O.M.'s and two I.D.S.M.'s.—Reuter.



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# GENERAL CATROUX'S OFFER TO ARABS OF DAMASCUS

**THE SYRIAN GOVERNMENT** has published a letter from General Catroux, leader of the Free French forces in Syria, addressed to the Syrian Prime Minister, which confirms the results reached during the discussions on the different aspects of Syria's independence.

According to the war correspondent in Syria, of Free French Headquarters, the outstanding points of Catroux's letter were that a treaty will be signed on a basis of equality guaranteeing the sovereignty and independence of Syria, and defining the basis and conditions of Franco-Syrian collaboration.

General Catroux's letter undertakes that the Syrian people will have the freedom to frame their constitution according to their own desires and to that end will call the men they think best to manage national interests and meet the nation's desires.

Free France is naturally anxious to hasten the attainment of this end as soon as the whole of the French territories actually in the Levant have been delivered from the mandate regime by Allied occupation of the whole country.

General Catroux asks that he be permitted to govern for the time being with the same authority and rights which were possessed by your government on June 20, 1941.

Such a mission would end as soon as the whole of Syria has been occupied by the Allies. — Reuter.

## BOMBING OF FRENCH FACTORIES

"OUR FRENCH PEOPLE WORKING IN FACTORIES ARE NOT THE LEAST ANGRY WITH THE R.A.F. BOMBING THE PLANTS—THEY REALLY INVITE IT AND HOPE TO SEE THE BLOCKADE CONTINUED," SAID M. HENRI HAUCK, LABOUR ADVISER TO GENERAL DE GAULLE, SPEAKING AT SHEFFIELD YESTERDAY.

M. Hauck explained that these people had to work for the Germans, but inwardly felt that they would rather starve now and be free later than starve for the rest of their lives.

Though France seemed to be out of the war, she has a better Fifth Column than Hitler's; "underground activities" were growing daily and sabotage is being carried out in factories. — Reuter.

## SPEED-UP ON N.Z. WATERFRONT

Adoption of three shifts daily on New Zealand's waterfronts has resulted in a 25% speed-up in the handling of ships carrying produce to England, stated Mr. Nash, acting Prime Minister, in a speech in Wellington yesterday.

Mr. Nash emphasised the need for increased cheese production to reach the goal of 100,000 tons for Britain during the coming season. The change-over from butter production to cheese-making was costing the Government £230,000 for one season. — Reuter.

## RETURN TO ANKARA

The Soviet Ambassador to Turkey, M. Vinogradov, returned to Ankara yesterday by air from Moscow. — Reuter.

## BOMBAY HIT BY GALE

**AN UNPRECEDENTED BREAKDOWN OF TELEGRAPHIC AND TELEPHONIC COMMUNICATION BETWEEN BOMBAY AND ALL THE PRINCIPAL CITIES OF INDIA, AND THE ALMOST COMPLETE PARALYSIS OF RAIL TRAFFIC FROM BOMBAY, FOLLOWED THE HEAVIEST RAINFALL EXPERIENCED BY BOMBAY AND THE SURROUNDING AREAS DURING THE PRESENT MONSOON.**

Rain which fell for 36 hours was accompanied by cyclonic conditions.

Over 15 inches of rain fell in Western Ghats, near Bombay, resulting in heavy floods near one of Bombay's suburban junctions from which all rail traffic branches off throughout India. This caused breaches at two points and there was considerable dislocation of traffic.

Bombay's terminus was crowded with passengers whose trains have been cancelled. — Reuter.

## ALLIED AID IN SYRIA

A sharp drop in the cost of living is following the Allies wherever they penetrate in Syria.

Prompt arrival of food supplies from Palestine, notably wheat, sugar and rice, caused a drop in prices to a vastly lower level than that prevailing previously when there was an acute shortage, particularly in the Damascus area.

The position in Damascus was so bad that only one day's supply of wheat remained when the Allies entered the city but supplies were rushed up within 24 hours.

In the occupied coastal areas, stocks of benzine and kerosene, which were commandeered by the Vichy authorities, prior to the withdrawal, were quickly replenished from Palestine.

Extensive arrangements are being organised for further relief. — Reuter.

## BULGARIAN WATERS MINED

The Bulgarian Army Command announced yesterday that Bulgarian territorial waters on the Black Sea will be mined to-day at noon, according to the official German News Agency in Berlin.

Foreign vessels will be able to use the territorial waters until 6 a.m. to-day, after which permission to enter these waters must be obtained 12 hours in advance. — Reuter.

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These were the words of Sir Akbar Hydari, President of the Council of the Nizam's Government, when he opened an exhibition at Deccan of a Nazi fighter plane brought down by the Hyderabad squadron.

Sir Hydari said: "Never in our history have we been closer to danger such as that which now threatens our most cherished ideals and inspirations."

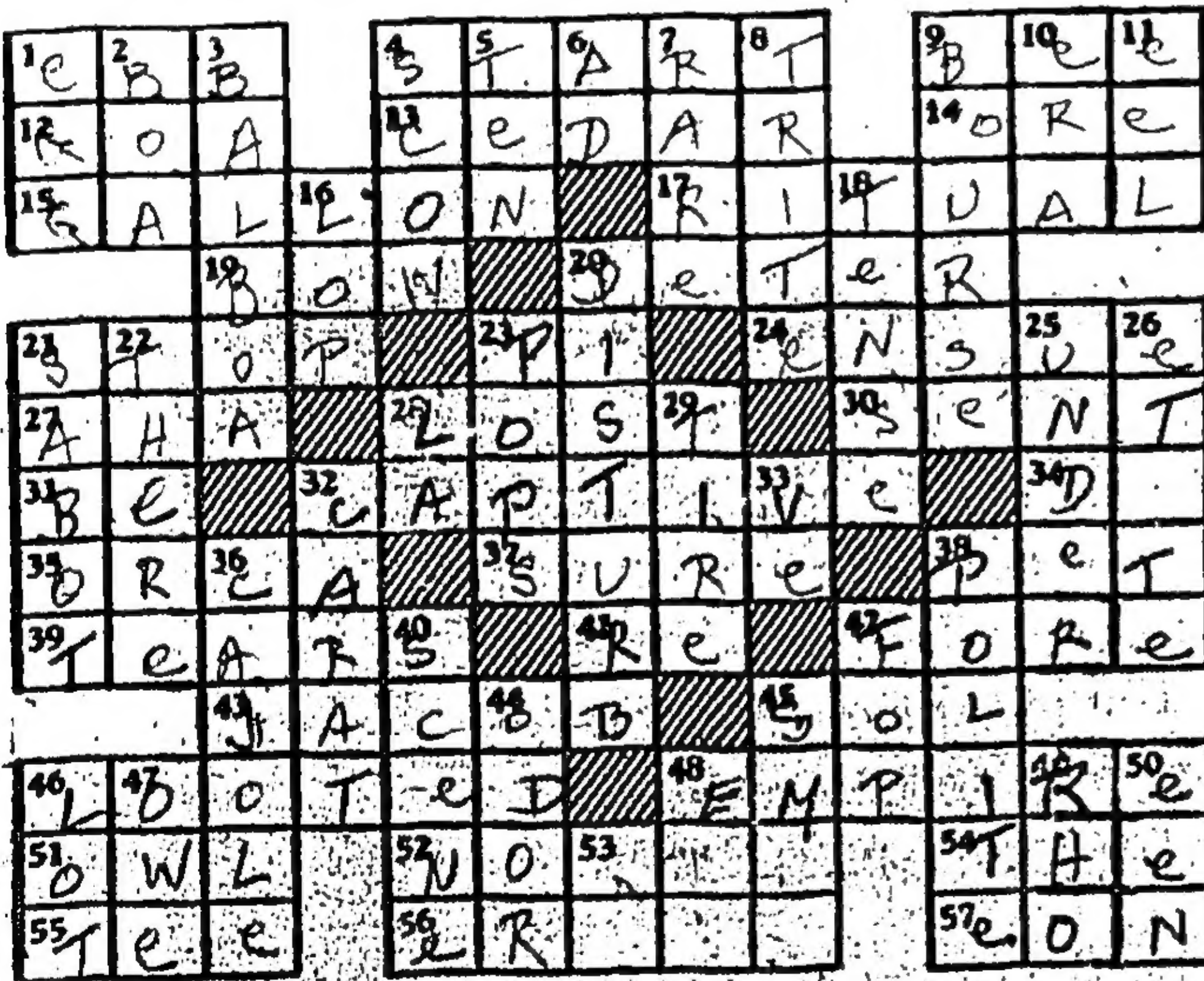
He added: "Each anna we subscribe and each man who offers himself for military duty or for work in the factories is a contribution towards the defence of our Motherland."

It is also an assurance of the future. It will not only

help to defeat the enemy outside our gates but will be a gain for our men, will strengthen our sinews and reconstruct and expand industries.

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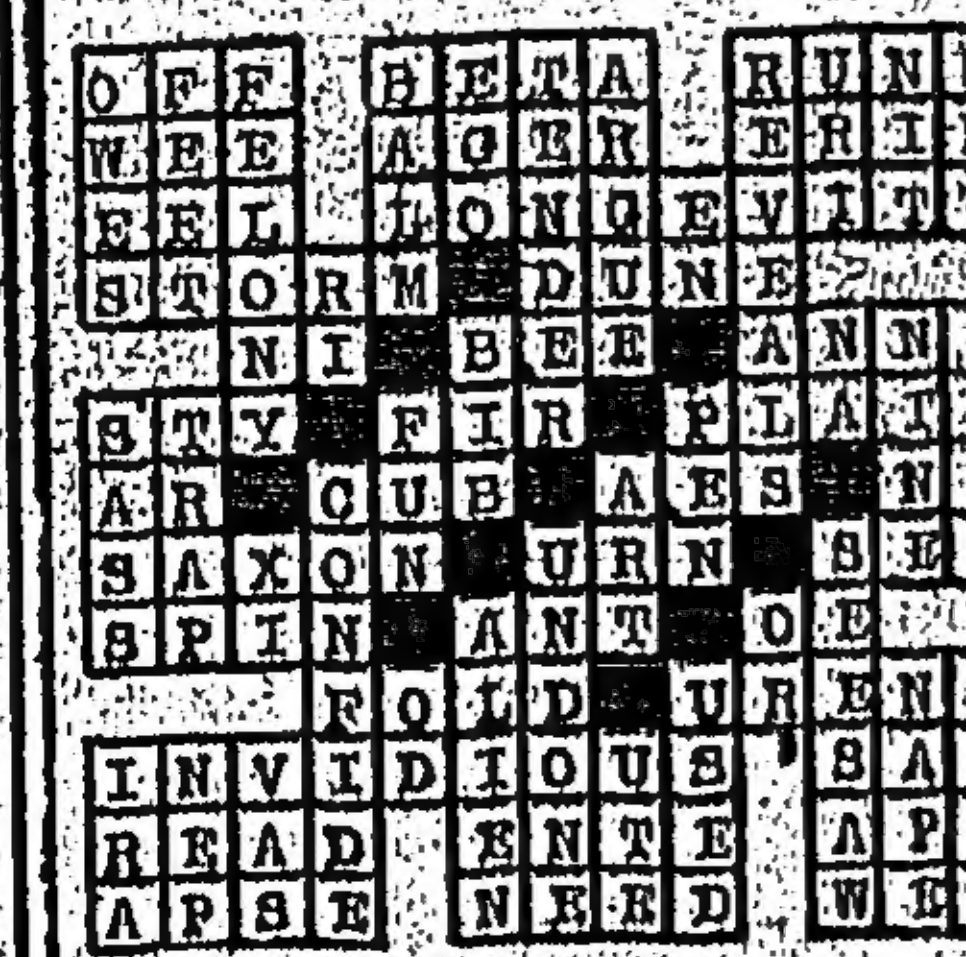
### HORIZONTAL

- 1 To recede
- 4 To begin
- 9 Social insect
- 12 Tibetan gazelle
- 13 Coniferous tree
- 14 Crude metal
- 15 Liquid measure
- 17 Code of ceremonies
- 19 Front of a ship
- 20 To hinder
- 21 To cease
- 23 Mixed type
- 24 To follow
- 27 Exclamation of triumph
- 28 Mislaid
- 30 Transmitted
- 31 To exist
- 32 Prisoner
- 34 Roman gods
- 35 Killer whale
- 37 Certain
- 38 Favourite
- 39 Rends
- 41 Note of scale
- 42 Golfer's cry
- 43 Son of Isaac
- 45 The sun

### VERTICAL

- 1 Ovary
- 2 Large snake
- 3 Discoverer of the Pacific
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### YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



## BRITISH 'SURPRISE' FOR NAZI FLIERS

Ronald Tree, Parliamentary Secretary for the British Ministry of Information, said on his return from the United States, "We have a surprise for the Germans which will further their already increasing difficulties in flying over England."

"Before long," Mr. Tree continued, "most of their bombers which dare to fly over England will not be able to return home."

He declined to specify what the "surprise" is.

Mr. Tree, who spent six weeks in the United States, said there would be 4,000,000 tons of American shipping available for British use by 1942 and "swarms of American planes would be in action before next spring."

## NEW BOMBERS' EXTRA SPEED

Greater hitting power will be developed by some of the R.A.F.'s new heavy bombers on account of their extra speed. Some of the aircraft mentioned by Lord Beaverbrook, Minister of Aircraft Production, in the House of Lords recently, will be the first large-size machines to demonstrate this value of speed.

One of them is a good deal faster than a comparable type which has been in service since the beginning of the war. This increase in speed gives a squadron the opportunity to sustain an attack on the most distant targets far longer.

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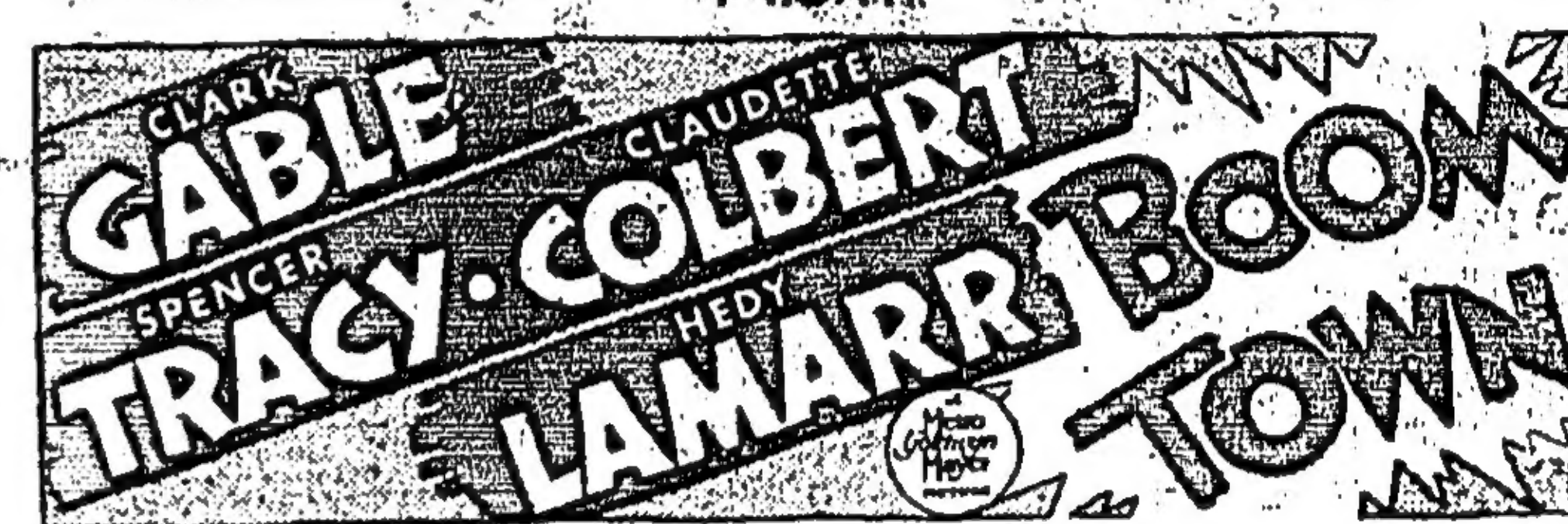


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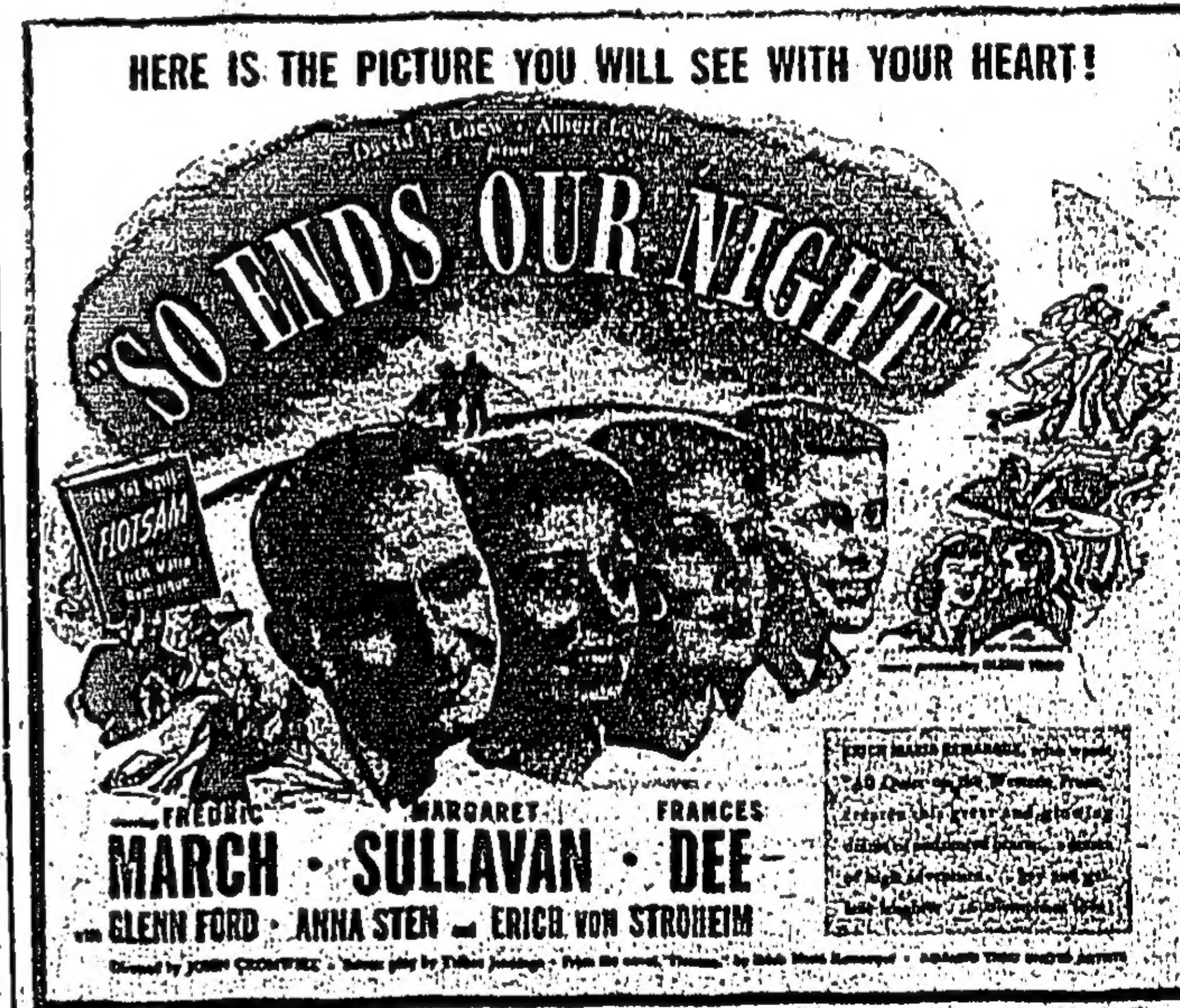
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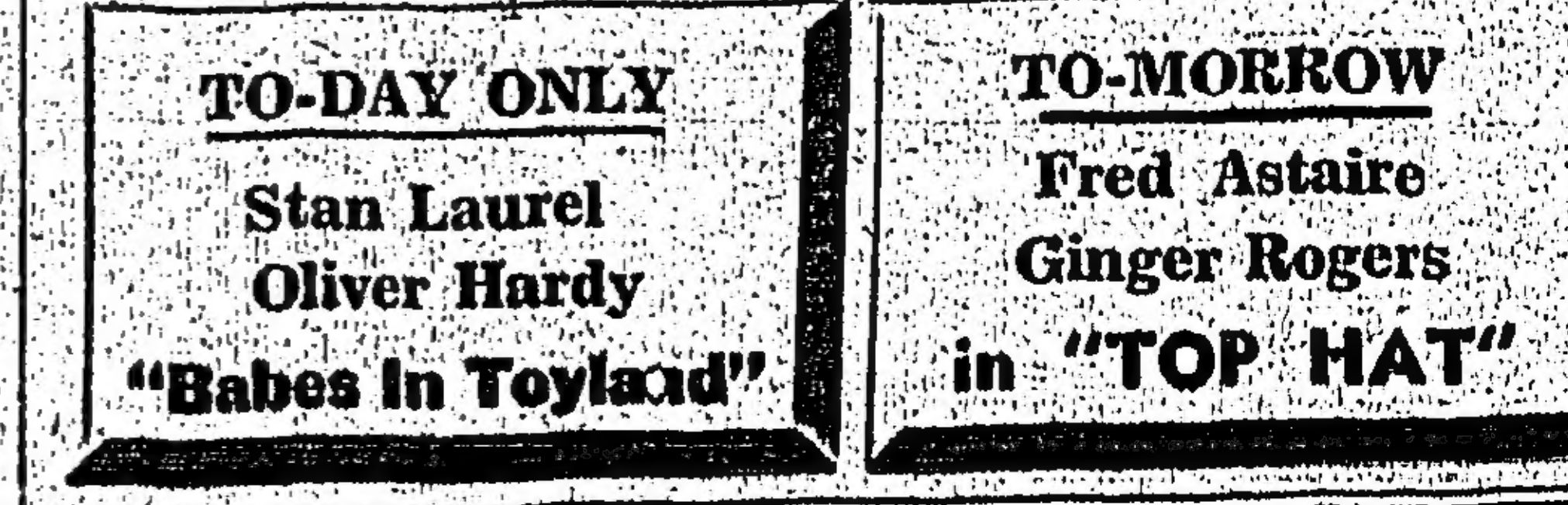


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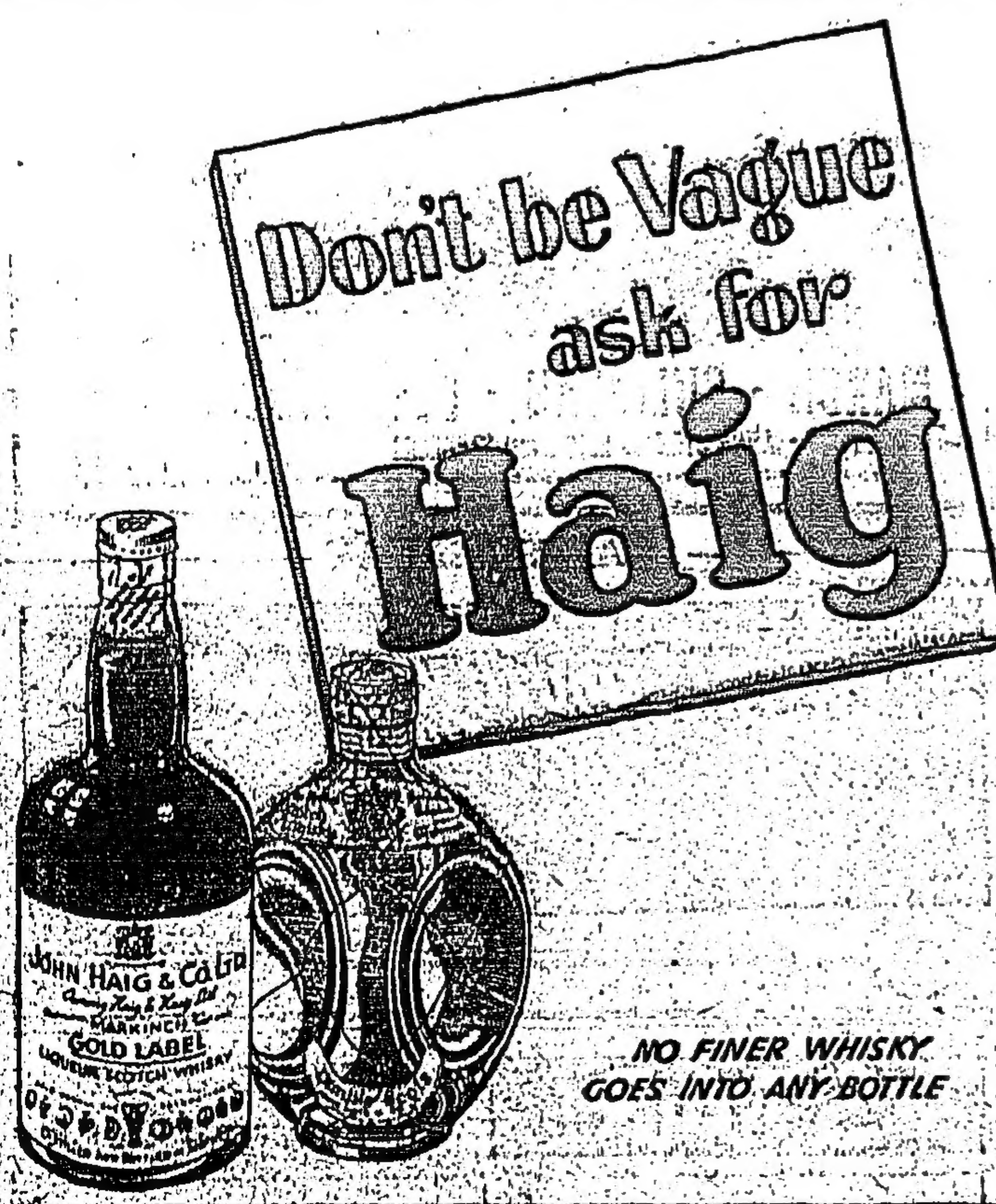
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# PARACHUTISTS USED IN BIG MOCK BATTLE

PARACHUTE TROOPS played a notable part in the surprise tactics characterising a four-day mock battle which has just recently ended, and in which 40,000 of Britain's finest troops, operating over hundreds of miles of Southern England, demonstrated the Army's fitness to undertake any task.

After this great military exercise had been reviewed, it was discovered that, as so often happens in war, a minor incident in the first hour of battle gave one side a big advantage. This was the capture of a motor-cycle despatch rider.

Driving through darkness and rain the rider missed a turning and fell into "enemy" hands. When interrogated, he was noticed to be fumbling in his pockets, from which scores of pieces of torn and crumpled paper were taken.

For seven hours through the night intelligence officers worked on the jigsaw puzzle of those scraps until the secret was laid bare.

Pieced together, the jigsaw proved to be the complete details, with map, of the defending forces' plans and tactics.

There was one moment of reality in this mimic warfare. A plane appeared through a cloud gap and a stream of machine-gun bullets tore the earth.

A German, cloud-hopping, had strayed into the area, and for a couple of seconds real bullets flew until the enemy scurried for home.

### Soldiers Tough

Afterwards the corps commander summed up the lessons of the battle:

"To beat Germany we must have hardened soldiers, able to fight whatever the weather or conditions. My men have been going for nearly a week and have done well; they are tough.

"The element of surprise is of the utmost importance. Individual initiative has been good."

To distinguish between the two armies one side wore steel helmets and the other cloth caps.

The Parachutists were used by the "tin hats." At a critical moment twin-engine planes appeared and in a few seconds the "paratroops" were on the ground. They cast off their parachutes and vanished into the countryside.

An officer who, incidentally, had nothing to do with it at all found himself confronted by three burly "paratroops." There was a quick blow with a fist, and the parachutists were driving his car away.

Telephone lines were cut and explosions rang out as this new branch of Britain's armed forces got to work.

## SAVING SPACE IN SHIPS

Carcasses of mutton and lamb sent to Britain from overseas are "telescoped" to save shipping space. Major Lloyd George, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Food, stated in a written Parliamentary answer.

This method of using the space within the carcasses and of filling the refrigerators of the ships to capacity has been in operation since the early days of the war. Major Lloyd George also disclosed that the entire boning-out capacity of the packing plants in the South American meat producing countries and the Dominions is now being used, another means of saving shipping space. Large purchases of canned beef had also been made.

## NAZI AIMS IN MOROCCO

[BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT]

A first-hand account of the situation in French Morocco, given me by an officer who has just returned from there, when combined with still more recent information reaching London from another authoritative source, throws a clear light on German aims there.

It also explains why the Germans are able to accomplish so much with comparatively few agents on the spot, and shows how Adml. Darlan's ambitious character and anti-British sentiment are being exploited.

The Germans' threefold aim is to:  
Prospect and organise submarine bases against Atlantic trade as part of the big drive to destroy American supplies;  
Paralyse French aviation in North Africa; and  
Reduce the French Army to a minimum.

The Germans are trying to detach native forces from the French command, and simultaneously are carrying out propaganda at great expense and bribing wherever they can.

### Commissions At Work

The German Commissions send their military and aviation demands to the Wiesbaden Armistice Commission. The German military representatives issue the necessary orders, which are passed to the War Office at Vichy, and thence to the Foreign Minister, Adml. Darlan, who is responsible for Morocco.

He sends them to Gen. Weygand with the implied authority of Marshal Petain as head of the State, and they must be executed by the military authorities in Africa, for they have become French orders.

In this way a handful of Germans, growing every day, can enforce their will.

When the attempt to reduce the French forces to impotence and to rouse the natives is regarded as completed, it is expected that Germany will send troops by air and by sea to "restore authority."

## NEW G.O.C. FOR HONG KONG

It is announced from Command H.Q. that for some time past Major-General A. E. Grasett, C.B., D.S.O., M.C., has been required for an appointment in the United Kingdom and arrangements have just been completed for his relief by Major-General C. M. Maltby, M.C.

Major-General Maltby has had long experience both in Command and on the Staff in India and elsewhere and is at present commanding an important division in India.

Major-General Maltby will be arriving in Hong Kong in the near future.

## 'SAT. EVE. POST' TO DROP ITS ISOLATIONIST POLICY

Walter D. Fuller, president of the National Association of Manufacturers and of the Curtis Publishing Company, said in an interview:

"I have been consistently an isolationist. So has the Saturday Evening Post—although that policy will change next week.

"But we are in war now. We are like a man who has jumped off a springboard and has not yet touched the water. He isn't wet, but he hasn't a chance of getting back on the springboard again."

## SLIM, SO WAS HERO

A small opening in a bomb-wrecked house was slim, fourteen-year-old Eric Smith's opportunity for heroism. Into the hole he went and tunnelled for hours in a vain effort to save five people.

Eric, who lives in Costa Road, Peckham, S.E., was standing by, eager to do his bit, while rescue workers dug through piled debris to reach the people who were trapped.

He heard the rescue squad say there was only a small opening, where a fireplace had been removed, through which to tunnel. Eric volunteered to do the work.

After hours of chopping and shovelling, under debris which threatened to collapse on him at any moment, in a space where men could never have worked, he was able to lead the rescuers in.

Now Eric may get a commendation for his bravery, but he will never be more proud of any commendation or award than he is of his collection of five incendiary bombs which he has extinguished.

Or the card which certifies that he is a qualified voluntary fire fighter, despite his age.

"The kid's a brick," say his fellow rescue workers.

All Eric says about it is: "I was just doing my bit." A neighbour said: "The lad has already, single-handed, extinguished fire bombs which might have started dangerous fires. We are grateful to boys with such spirit. They do the work of grown men."

## M.P.S AND SEA WAR

A background talk on the war at sea was given to the 1922 Committee of Conservative M.P.s at the House of Commons recently by Mr. Francis McMurtrie, the Naval Correspondent of "The Daily Telegraph." His talk dealt with the naval position and the prospects for the coming months in the Atlantic, the Mediterranean and the Far East.



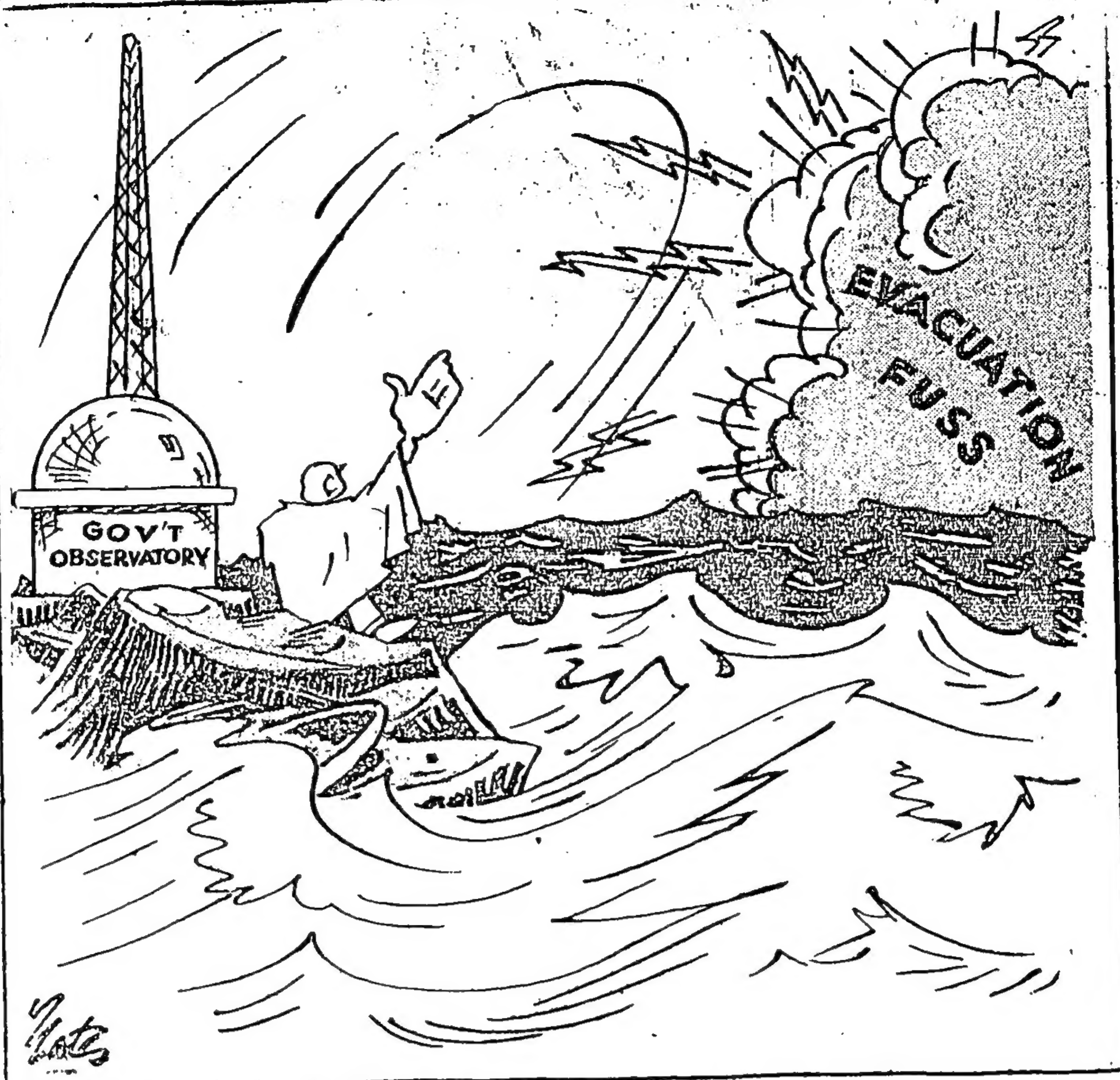
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## AMERICAN REACTIONS

The German invasion of Russia and the possible appearance of Hitler's hordes on the Bering Sea is being watched with great anxiety in the United States. The attack renders more acute the dangers to the Western Hemisphere which American strategists have always feared. In event of a Hitler success, nothing is more likely than the entry of Spain, active or passive, on the Axis side which would put her Atlantic possessions at the disposal of the Nazis for the extension of the Battle of the Atlantic. With the increasing supineness of Vichy the offensive use of Dakar and Casablanca becomes another possibility. The physical threat to the United States looms larger.

There is, too, the danger on the East and the possibility that, should Hitler's gains become big enough, Japan would be encouraged to embroil herself in a piratical descent on the East Indies or upon the Maritime Provinces of Siberia. The American reaction to the Russo-Japanese pact has been shrewd and sceptical. It is this kind of broad consideration that led President Roosevelt to declare so sombrely the other day that the American public does not yet appreciate the extreme seriousness of the war and its implications concerning life in the United States. At the same time American commentators are almost unanimous in reporting that the people are ripe for a new decisive exercise of leadership. The recent setbacks to Britain in the Mediterranean have bewildered them. They are angry at the Nazi advances; they want American aid to be more prompt and sure, but they are also rather more open to isolationist and appeasement influence. Any setback to Britain is food for the Lindberghs and Wheelers, who are always saying that the battle is already won and all that remains is to retire behind American barriers. But again the commentators agree that the President, with his immense sagacity, will at the proper time resolve latent doubts and disquiets and canalise the mass feeling of Americans in decisive action.

At the moment, the



"STATIONARY OR VERY SLOW."

## The Lesson Of The Occupied Countries

Recently, for two days the House of Commons debated the conduct of the war. Exactly a year before it had and a two-day debate on the same subject. In each case the majority of the speeches were critical.

But there was this all-important difference. A year ago, members wanted the Prime Minister — Mr. Chamberlain — to go; now every member wants the Prime Minister — Mr. Churchill — to stay! There is a certain amount of disquiet, as is inevitable, because the war faces us every day with new problems and there must be a time-lag between their appearance and their solution. In foreign policy there is a reluctance to adopt ruthless methods, and to coordinate diplomacy with propaganda. In home policy there is a reluctance to break down the barriers between local and national government — barriers similar on their smaller scale to those which exist in the United States between state and federal legislatures, and which so hampered the war against the earlier and lesser gangsters of Chicago.

But a few hours before we met in the House of Commons, the Nazi deputies had met in the Reichstag. We criticised with moderation and probably with effect; the Nazis clicked

their heels and shouted "Heil." The advantage of the latter system is obvious in the earlier stages of a war, but as war-weariness grows there must surely be a handicap in the ability of the general public to ventilate its grievances?

And how much the ordinary humble little man will have to do with the winning of the war is illustrated by the history of the slave states in the twelve months that have elapsed since the first "neutrals", Denmark and Norway, were invaded because they were geographically a nuisance to Hitler.

Take, for example, the case of the Dutch. I choose them because in so many ways they had points in common with the Germans and

Now the Dutch must impose the foul anti-Semitic regulations brought across the frontier by the Gestapo.

In the seventeenth century books of every kind were printed in Holland because there could be found a freedom of expression there which was denied in neighbouring states. Now there is that horrible persecution of thought which must sooner or later lead to the collapse of Hitler's "new order."

And these quiet sober-minded Dutch, like the people in all the other slave states, are developing the spirit of revolt. Probably you know—but possibly you do not—of the various ruses adopted to remind the Germans that they are hated invaders. When German officers came into a cafe all the Dutch at neighbouring tables called for their checks and left. When the German authorities decreed that nobody must leave for a quarter of an hour after the arrival of a German soldier, all Dutch customers placed their watches on the table and left the moment the quarter of an hour had elapsed.

Years ago the Nazis in Austria made ridiculous the ban on uniforms imposed by the governments of Dollfuss and Schuschnigg by appearing in top hats or white stockings. The Dutch learned the lesson and are angering their masters by wearing flowers or ribbons which are in some way reminiscent of the House of Orange and their exiled Queen.

Mr. Eden tells of two British prisoners of war who escaped from East Prussia through Poland, Hungary and Yugoslavia to Greece. They could speak no word of any language but English and yet everywhere they were helped on their way as friends. Mr. Churchill has promised besides blood, sweat, toil and tears "our fair share of mistakes, shortcomings and disappointments." We know that some neutral governments, if not neutral peoples, have succumbed to the temptation to go on the side with the big battalions. But the Prime Minister, who has never sought to disguise unpleasant truths, commands support in Parliament and in the country such as Hitler himself will never win by false promises and misleading lies.

By Vernon  
Bartlett

situation on the Russian front is difficult to assess with certainty, but that is favourable in itself inasmuch as it demonstrates clearly that Germany is not by any means having things all her own way. In any case, there is no reason for the United States to mark time. For her, as for us, the respite in the Western Theatre is no time for sitting back on our heels in contemplative study. It should serve as an inspiration to press our own efforts to the limit of our resources.

because Nazi leaders had always referred to them as fellow Nordics, worthy to be treated more or less as equals. Even after the invasion and the ruthless, unforgettable bombardment of Rotterdam, Holland was promised that her customs and institutions would be respected. But within a few months her Parliament was closed down, the country was so denuded of its great wealth that Amsterdam has had to go back to horse-drawn trams, a rigid curfew was imposed between 10 p.m. and 4 a.m., and in many other ways the slavery has become obvious and obnoxious.

Almost more hated than the physical restrictions are the restrictions on freedom of the expression of thought. There had been no religious or racial intolerance in Holland since the Spaniards were driven out in 1600—after a struggle by the people against military might which has few parallels in history, but may find another parallel when Nazi rule begins to crack.

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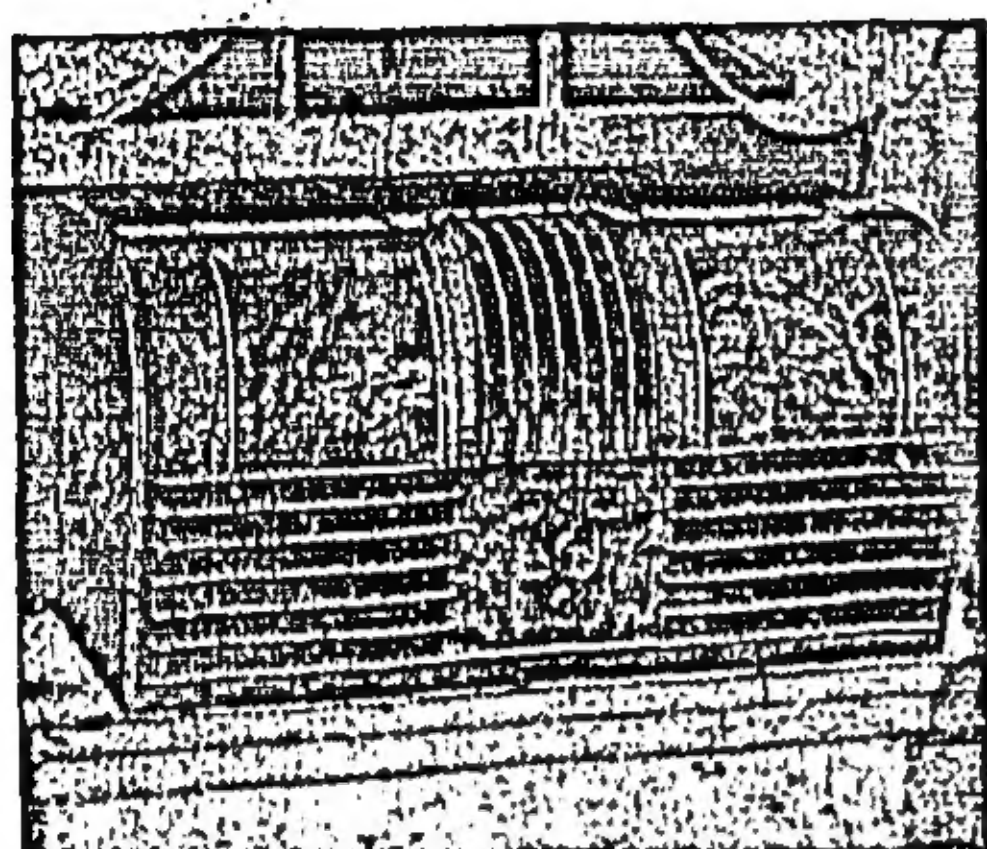
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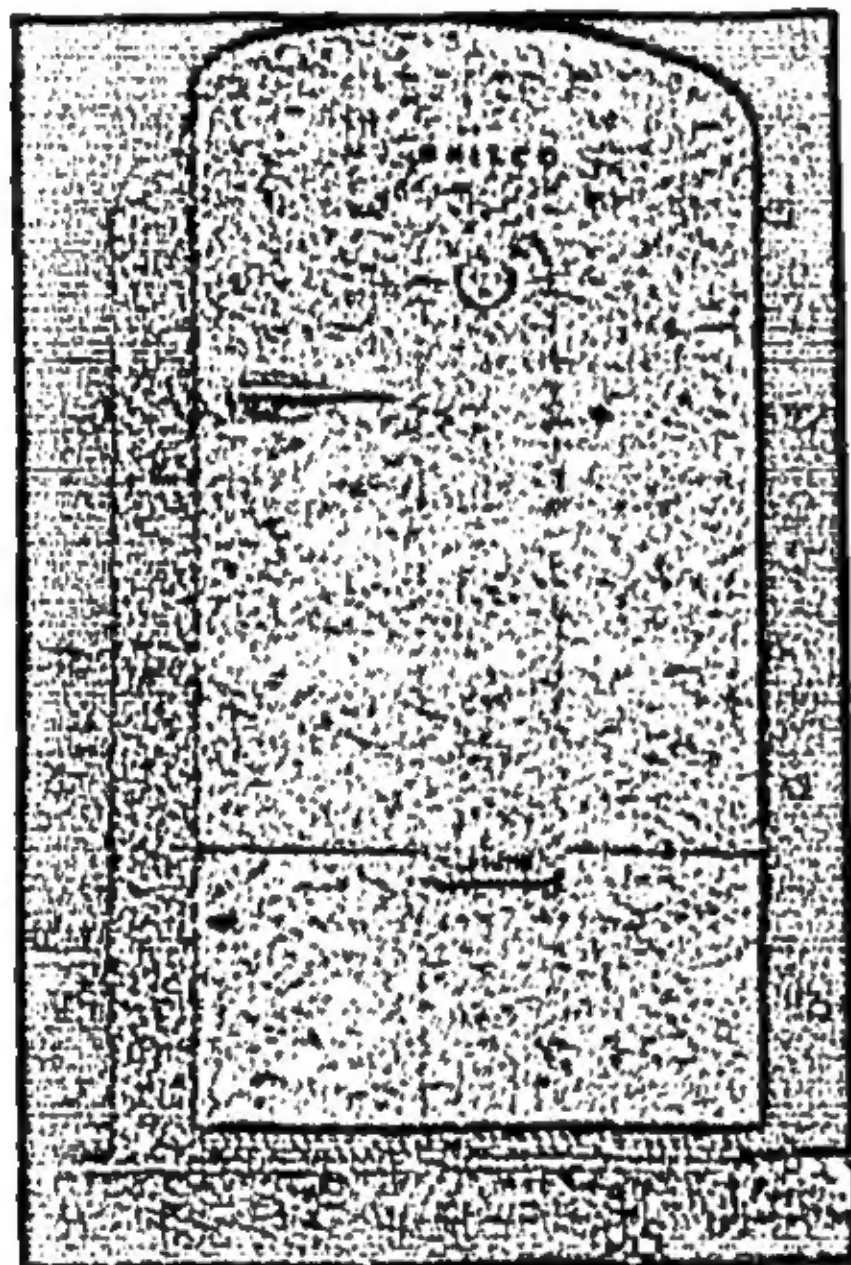
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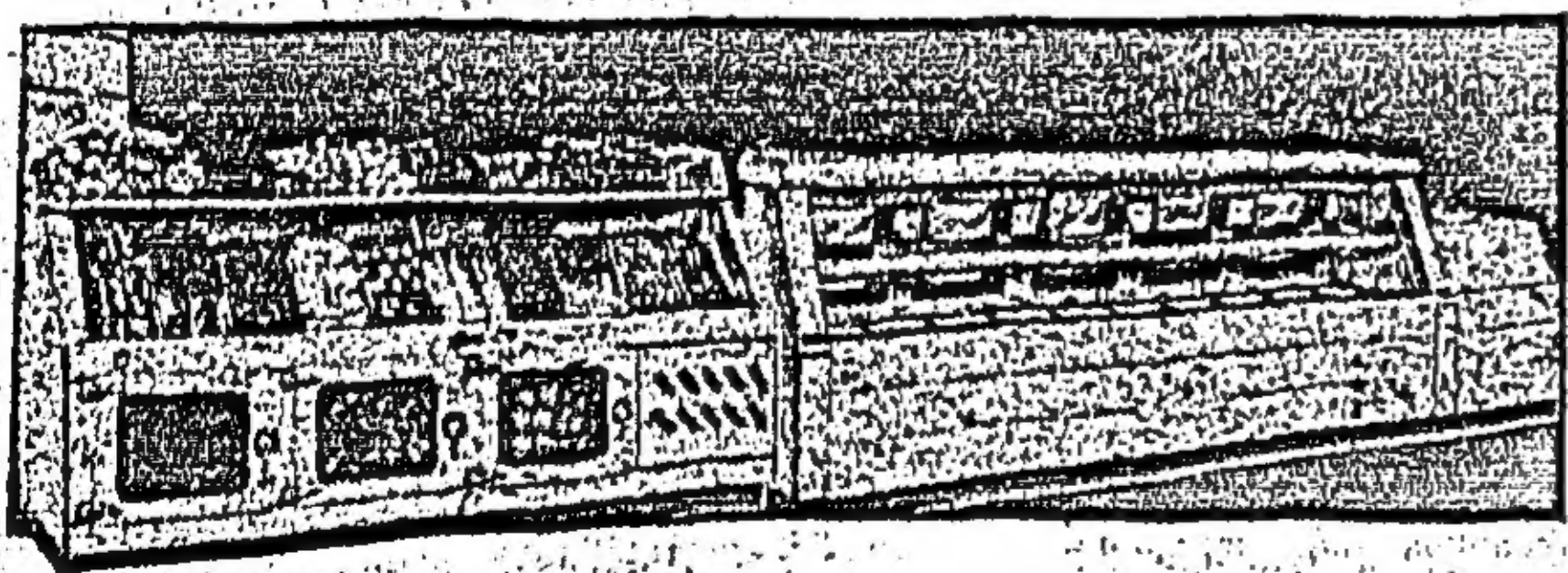
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# FRENCH FEAR NAZI MOVE INTO TUNISIA

PERSISTENT AND heavy late rains throughout Morocco are having a disastrous effect on the crops, but the food situation is naturally not yet affected. Morocco is still the granary of North Africa.

Government and private stocking is causing an acute shortage of certain articles. Practically only natives can obtain sugar, and saccharine is served everywhere.

Prices are kept low. A fair meal can be obtained in Rabat or Casablanca for about a shilling. There seems to be no large reserves of either petrol or aviation spirit. No more petrol is to be allowed to private users after this month, and already generals in full uniform can be seen riding bicycles in Rabat.

Despite the nervous timidity of local authorities and the adverse influence of reverses in Libya, not only do the majority of people desire a German defeat, but the realisation is slowly spreading that the Anglo-American combination is unbeatable.

### French Fears Grow

A belief is growing in informed circles in French Morocco that whatever happens in Egypt the Germans will turn westwards towards Tunisia and French North Africa.

French fears are thus increased, and general feeling of helplessness is deepened as the fundamental nature of American support for Britain becomes more evident every day.

French military and civil authorities express friendly feelings towards Britain, even to neutral observers, but the French navy is consistently hostile, and naval influence is paramount in Vichy.

No considerable section of Frenchmen, except naval officers and those who sold their careers to Germany, want or expect a Nazi victory.

## DONEGALL'S CURRENCY ERROR

The Marquess of Donegall, of Westminster Gardens, Marsham Street, S.W., was at Bow Street recently fined £180, with £20 costs, for failing to do everything necessary to assign to the Treasury a right to receive \$489 (£120) outside the United Kingdom.

Mr. H. A. K. Morgan, prosecuting, said that following correspondence with the Bank of England, Lord Donegall wrote to say that he had received a cable from his bankers in New York mentioning a cheque of his for \$400, cashed by Viscountess Furness. Instead of arranging for the Treasury to have the use of these dollars, Lord Donegall arranged for Lady Furness to use them. His New York account was then \$489 in credit.

The magistrate, Mr. McKenna, said that Lord Donegall had pleaded that this was a matter of bona fide misjudgment. Mr. McKenna did not take the view that it was one of the more serious class of case.

### 3 WHO SHOT DOWN 24

Three R.A.F. sergeants, who between them have destroyed more than 24 German planes, were honoured by the King at a recent investiture.

Sgt. D. McKay, D.F.M., and Bar, shot down 12 planes himself, and with four other fighter pilot destroyed a 13th. Flt. Sgt. E. Thorn and Sgt. F. Barker—Bar to the D.F.M., each shot down from a Defiant 12 planes in one afternoon.

## M.P.S ATTACK SPAIN LOAN

Fears that our loan of more than £2,000,000 to Spain would go straight to the Germans were expressed in the Commons recently by Mr. J. C. Wedgwood (Soc., Newcastle-under-Lyme).

Mr. Churchill, stating that the agreement for the loan would be laid as a White Paper, said it would not be wise to debate the agreement just now, certainly not in public.

Mr. Wedgwood also suggested that Sir Samuel Hoare was "a little too expensive" as Ambassador to Spain.

The Premier said many people thought in July last year that Spain would enter the war against us, and it was largely due to Sir Samuel Hoare that our relations had tended to improve at this critical time.

Mr. Aneurin Bevan (Soc., Ebbw Vale) said there was unrest about the money among the public, who could see no signs of gratitude.

### "No Gratitude"

"We do not wish to give any excuse for a breach at present between us and the Spanish Government."

Mr. Churchill said this policy had been most carefully considered, and the state of our affairs in every part of the world did not allow matters of this kind to be handled in a rough or reckless or debonair fashion. He added:

"We consider that the starving condition of the people of Spain fully justifies assistance being given by Great Britain, and the United States if they choose so to act, irrespective of whether any expressions of gratitude are forthcoming or not."

## HOMELESS TO LIVE IN PARK LANE FLATS

A block of flats in Park Lane will be ready shortly to house people who have lost their homes as a result of air raids.

Westminster City Council have taken over the building and are adapting and furnishing it for these temporary tenants. Air-raid victims who are sent there will be able to stay until suitable alternative accommodation can be offered to them.

The building, which will accommodate 200, will be run on the lines of a hostel, with cafeteria meals which the tenants will be able to buy at cost.

The people accommodated will be expected to help with the cleaning. Tenants can sleep in a basement shelter in the event of raids, and there is a first-aid post in the building.

One floor will be given up to mothers and babies, and in addition there will be nurseries for the use of small children.

The scheme is being undertaken for the City Council by Women's Voluntary Services.

## PREMIER'S PLEDGE TO M.P.S.

Mr. Winston Churchill received a great ovation from back-bench Conservative M.P.s when he was entertained at lunch in London recently by the 1922 Committee. About 150 members were present.

The Prime Minister's declaration, during his speech, that "we shall let no party surpass us in the sacrifices we make," was loudly cheered.

## 1500 MAD TEACHERS

Fifteen hundred New York school teachers are definitely crazy, according to Dr. Emil Altman, formerly chief medical examiner in the city's schools.

Dr. Altman insists that a total of 4,500 teachers require psychiatric or other treatment, cables John Walters from New York. Not all of these are unstable enough for asylums, but they are dangerously unsuitable instructors and should be removed.

Here are some stories of New York classroom insanity given by Dr. Altman in an article in the "American Mercury."

A middle-aged teacher, of Amazonian proportions, accused the school caretaker of sending up ether fumes through the radiator pipes to suffocate her.

### Asylum "Vacation"

One teacher would teach several months, then go away on her "vacation" to an asylum.

Another told her pupils everything in the classroom was charged with electricity, and she could pull a switch to kill them all if they misbehaved.

She sent shivers down the children's spines with realistic horror stories of poison gas floating in the room and several became acutely ill.

One woman insisted on teaching that two plus two equal five. Questioned on the point she demanded: "What would you do if people kept hammering at your head all the time?"

## STOLE TO CATCH SOLDIERS' EYES

The advent of soldiers into village life and the desire of two girls to look attractive in their eyes were said at Bridgwater, Somerset, recently to be responsible for the theft of two coats.

A solicitor said the girls were on the verge of womanhood, and with the tempo of village life speeded up their desire to look attractive was natural and in a certain type of girl irresistible. The probation officer could tell the Bench in their retiring room something that he could not tell them in open court.

Without hearing the probation officer the Bench bound over the girls, Dulcia Anne Palmer, 17, of Nether Stowey, and Hilda Rose Mary Sellick, 16½, of Castle Hill, Over Stowey, for two years in £5.



# CHINESE PUPPET TROOPS THORN TO JAPAN

POLITICAL AND FINANCIAL PUPPETS OF THE JAPANESE IN CHINA HAVE WON A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF PUBLICITY.

But very little has been said, on the contrary, about the military puppets, those Chinese troops who carry arms under the eyes of Japanese "advisers" and are actually engaged in one way or another in fighting against their countrymen in the detachments under the supreme command of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek.

One reason, and probably the most important, is that there are not enough of them to make any great difference in the fighting going on in China. A second is that the Japanese do not trust them to any great extent, having had the painful experience of seeing a good many of them "desert". General Chiang, secure clothing, food and weapons from the Japanese and then "desert" again to Chiang's forces.

Consequently they are reluctant to give them any important stock of supplies and are further reluctant to give them any very important assignments. By and large they are used, where used at all, for relatively minor garrisoning and policing duties in areas pretty well under the Japanese thumb.

## Estimates Difficult

According to Co. Y. Iwasaki, head of the Japanese Army Press Bureau, there are approximately 400,000 puppet troops in North, Central and South China ("puppet" is not the colonel's word for them, naturally). Such an estimate is probably too large but it would be difficult to arrive at any satisfactory figure since even few Japanese themselves know much about the puppet contingents. It's undoubtedly true, however, that there are not any in the south, some in Central China between the Yangtze and Yellow Rivers and the bulk in the north.

The central and northern armies are separate entities, following in that respect the Japanese practice which is unique among modern armies in granting tremendous autonomy to separate geographical army commanders with the final decision from a central general staff often more honoured in the breach than the observance. Actually the Japanese in North China have very little contact with those in Central China and there's considerable bad blood between the two groups.

The northern army of puppets is known as the North China Pacification Army and owes its allegiance to the Chinese puppet regime in Peiping, headed by Wang I-tang. The central troops, who are under the banner of Wang Ching-wei, are known as the Peace and National Salvation Army. They have no single command and there is little if any co-operation between them.

## Northern Make-Up

The main northern army is composed in turn of three separate armies, the first garrisoning northern Hopei, the second being stationed in Shantung and the third being assigned to the larger towns and cities such as Peiping, Tientsin, Tsinan and Paoting.

This latter group is considered by the Japanese the best of the puppet forces and after a year's training was sent out Red-chasing. According to a Japanese newspaper in Peiping it has taken part in 50 engagements and has taken 75 prisoners and killed 180 enemy soldiers, probably a fair estimate of its prowess.

According to the same newspaper, reported by the "North China Daily News", the Nanking (or Peace and National Salvation) Army is a creature of Japanese political intrigue, originated and abandoned by the famed Maj. Gen. Kenji Doihara, Japan's "Lawrence of Asia".

According to this explanation General Doihara was anxious to win the late Marshal Wu Pei-fu over to the Japanese side and after considerable negotiating between the two "General Doihara organised a "pacification corps" at Kaifeng which the marshal was expected to head. The marshal ultimately refused and the army raised for Marshal Wu was turned over to Wang Ching-wei since

the northern Japanese generals already had a force and local jealousies prevented an amalgamation. Wang was eager to get some troops of his own and and took the ready-made army thus offered without quibbling. He soon found himself with trouble on his hands as a result, however.

## Division Of Authority

The troops continued to be stationed at Kaifeng and along the Lunghai railroad and the area was therefore politically under the Peiping regime but militarily under the Nanking regime. Early this winter when Wang appointed a new commander for the force the latter arrived in Kaifeng to find himself boycotted by the authorities and the object of street demonstrations. He went to Peiping and worked out a compromise, the result now being that Wang Ching-wei still retains authority over the Kaifeng troops in name at least although considerable power over them is actually wielded by Peiping.

All in all the Chinese puppet officials have their hands full with military problems as they do with their political, financial and other questions. One thing is certain, however, and that is that there are not enough puppet troops in China to stand up against the armies of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek for a month if the Japanese were withdrawn.

## UNITY: "NOT FAVoured"

Suggestions by M.P.s in the Commons that Miss Unity Mitford should be detained were resisted by the Home Secretary, who denied she was being given any privilege.

Mr. Evelyn Walkden (Soc., Doncaster) said Miss Mitford had recovered from her illness, and asked the Home Secretary if he had considered detaining her because of her close associations with Nazi leaders and her pro-Nazi views?

The Home Secretary replied that her health and the circumstances in which she was living showed no ground for detention in the interests of national security.

Mr. Evelyn Walkden: Can you say if her illness is called Quinsigities, and would she not derive beneficial treatment by being transferred to the Isle of Man for a short period?

After the Minister had said one M.P. was suggesting he should detain people he did not like, Sir Cooper Rawson (Cons., Brighton) asked—Why does not the Home Secretary like her?

Dr. Edith Summerskill (Soc., Fulham, W.) interposed—Hitler does.

## TWO STARS, YES INDEED; ONE ON EACH SHOULDER

"How would you distinguish a brigadier general?" the inspecting officer asked a private in the 43rd division.

"By two stars," replied the private, doubling the proper number and giving a major general's insignia.

The officer looked askance but before he could say anything, the private quickly added: "One on each shoulder."

## SOVIET AID SEEN CONTINUING

A British radio report heard recently by CBS said the Chungking Government has announced extension of its agreement with Moscow for exchange of goods between China and Soviet Russia, with Russia agreeing to provide arms and ammunition for China's minerals and other raw materials.

## ONE IN THREE CIVILIANS HAS CHANGED JOB

One in every three persons in civilian employment to-day has changed his or her job since the war started, states the "New Chronicle."

This is shown by the most recent Gallup Survey, in which a representative cross-section of the civilian population was asked: "Have you changed your job or occupation since the war started?"

Analysis of the replies showed that:

20 per cent. had changed to a new job in a new kind of work;  
12 per cent. had changed to a new job but in the same kind of work;

Highest percentages of change were among young people and in the lower income grouping. Thirty per cent. of men had changed jobs, and 34 per cent. of women.

To the subsidiary question: "Are you satisfied with your present job?" replies were:

Yes ..... 76%  
No ..... 20%  
Don't know ..... 4%

## PEACOCK EGGS TO APPEAR ON WARTIME MENU

Peacock eggs are likely to be the latest wartime delicacy, and will appear on the menus of a number of London restaurants, according to a correspondent of the "Evening Standard."

Before the war it was unheard of to eat peacock eggs. Breeders needed all the eggs they could get for rearing.

Now the restrictions on feeding stuffs has made it impossible for breeders to hatch anything like as many eggs as normally.

A Sussex breeder told me: "I have never heard of anyone eating peacock eggs before the war."

"I have tried them, and they are very good."

"The mating season is due any time now."

"I shall not attempt to hatch any of the eggs, but shall use them all for eating."

"A peahen usually has about 13 eggs at a time. The price of the eggs in normal times for breeding purposes is anything from about 4s. 6d. to 10s. 6d. I don't know what the price of them is likely to be in restaurants."

## STEEL FENCE AT ARMS WORKS

One of the numerous war factories now being built is so enormous that it will cost £12,000,000.

Running round it is a formidable fence of steel uprights placed close together, and inside this a second fence is being erected. The War Office ordered it apparently without consulting the local military authorities.

The Select Committee on National Expenditure, in a report issued recently, asks why there should be such lack of co-ordination between headquarters and those on the spot, and why steel should be used so lavishly on the main fence when that metal is in short supply.

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# BRIDGE NOTES

## AVOIDING DANGER

### By The Four Aces

"This type of hand always brings us to grief," writes a Connecticut reader. "Even if we land in the right contract, it's by guesswork rather than skill."

North, Dealer  
Both sides vulnerable

**NORTH**  
♠ K 10 7 3  
♥ A Q 4  
♦ 5  
♣ A K J 9 2  
**WEST**  
♠ 9 6 2  
♥ 10 8 5  
♦ A J 9 6 2  
♣ 8 5  
**EAST**  
♠ A 8 4  
♥ 9 6 3  
♦ K Q 8 4  
♣ 7 4 3  
**SOUTH**  
♠ Q J 5  
♥ K J 7 2  
♦ 10 7 3  
♣ Q 10 6

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1♣	Pass	1♥	Pass
3♣	Pass	3NT	Pass
Pass	Pass		

"West led a diamond, and the enemy took the first five tricks with great gusto."

As you'll note, we had game in spades, hearts, or clubs—but not no-trump. But it all seemed quite logical to us then, and we still don't see how we could have avoided the danger of a setup suit being run against us.

"South pointed out that I might very well have held a singleton heart and three diamonds to the Ace-Queen. In that event no-trump would be the right spot for the hand. And, from my point of view, South's spade and diamond holdings might have been exchanged, and then again no-trump would be the right contract."

"Our trouble is that we sometimes get to a suit contract and sometimes to a no-trump contract on hands of this sort. But even when the contract is correct, it's more by luck than brains. Isn't there a safer way to make this sort of decision?"

There is. North's second bid should be one spade rather than three clubs. Then if South bids one no-trump, he promises at least a semi-stopper in diamonds. Actually, South should bid two clubs over one spade—hinting, by avoiding no-trump, that he is weak in the unbid suit. Then North bids three hearts—indicating, by bidding three suits, extreme shortness in the fourth suit. From there on, South's bidding might lead to any suit game contract; but it would not lead to game in no-trump unless he had a sure stopper in diamonds.

Yesterday you were Merwin Maier's partner and, with neither side vulnerable, you held:

♠ A J 10 3 2  
♥ K Q 5  
♦ Q 10 2  
♣ J 4

The bidding:

Schenken	You	Jacoby	Maier
Pass	1♠	Pass	3♠
2♦	Pass	3♦	Pass
Pass	(7)		

ANSWER: Bid two spades. Partner's reopening bid shows a strong hand with good chances for game so you must find some rebid. With a slightly stronger diamond holding, you would prefer the rebid of two no-trump; as it is, your better course is to show that your spades are rebiddable.

Score 100% for two spades, 60% for two no-trump, 30% for three clubs, 20% for pass.

### Question No. 757

To-day you hold the same hand, but the bidding is different:

Schenken	You	Jacoby	Maier
Pass	1♠	Pass	3♠
2♦	Pass	3♦	Pass
Pass	(7)		

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)  
(Released by The Bell Syndicate, Inc.)

# NAZIS TAKE ALL AND STIFFER ARMY MEDICAL

GERMANISATION OF the land won by the Third Reich from former Poland is proceeding with a ruthless thoroughness that shows long preparation.

As far as can be judged from the region about Litzmannstadt in the former Polish Corridor, active furtherance of the interests of the German population which has come here from Galicia and Volhynia is evident.

The Polish population which has outlived the horrors of war is removed to the protectorate, employed in a subordinate position or entirely disregarded.

The German peasants who are being settled in and around Litzmannstadt left their homes in the Eastern part of former Poland to travel many weary miles in farm wagons and on horseback in long dusty columns to their present location.

When they arrived, they were tired and all felt strange in a strange country. Many of them had been completely assimilated in their former Polish environment and can no longer speak and write German.

The important work of "re-Germanising" these Polish-Germans is being undertaken by various organisations and departments of the Third Reich.

## Students Do Work

Much of the work is being done by mere students, boys and girls in their teens, who were organised in work groups for just this purpose long before the war began.

In the Warthegau, the region about Litzmannstadt, there are 80 medical students, 100 students from normal schools, 150 students of architecture and practical construction and about 200 girl students. They are all volunteers. At the end of July they gathered in a camp at Gradinki near Litzmannstadt, from where they were sent to the surrounding regions. Their organisation is called "Fachsatz Ost" (specialised volunteers East).

They work in collaboration with the S. S. Department for colonising, which pays their expenses. The architects and construction students receive eight marks (about three dollars) pay per day, the rest of the students get five marks per day. Travelling expenses are also paid by the S. S.

The work of "resettlement" and "re-Germanisation" was planned in the camp at Gradinki by the student leaders. Maps and drawings were made for the projected buildings and improvements. The children of the settlers were counted and their previous school training ascertained.

It is no uncommon sight to see a young blond lad of 18 or 19 in a Hitler Youth uniform directing the work of five or ten Polish men in reconstructing an old farmhouse or building a sawmill.

One of the problems, as one young German explained, is to reconstruct the chimneys of the Polish farm houses which are broad at the bottom and taper to a point above the straw thatched roofs.

The Germans prefer the chimneys equally wide from top to bottom, as they give a better draught. If the picturesque Polish farmhouses are too old or have been ruined by the war, they are torn down by the Polish workers under German leadership and new modern structures are built.

Sometimes the cottage of a Polish peasant who has not yet been removed is repaired.

Work on the farms of the Polish population is, however, limited to the merest essentials.

## Big Estates Confiscated

The large Polish estates of this region have all been confiscated by the Germans and are being managed by representatives of the Department of Agriculture and the Labour Front.

The work of the 200 girls stationed at Gradinki is not of a technical nature, but merely "filling-in wherever needed" and making the settlers feel at home. In their trim black and white uniforms they attend peasant festivals, help in the kitchen, care for the children and even work in the fields.

Some of the girls are students in an agricultural school. Hence this work is good practical experience for them.

The girl teachers are surprisingly young. One girl who manages a whole village of 50 children all by herself was only in her third half semester at the University of Berlin when she volunteered. She had never had any experience as a teacher.

On the whole the work of resettlement by the Germans on this newly conquered land is well enough done to give the appearance of permanency. The German settlers seem to be striking root in their new homes, the more so as whole villages are transplanted as units.



The mentally sketchy girl-friend thinks when her beau says he's walking around with a fevered brow these days she should call a doctor.

Medical tests for admission into the Forces are much stricter now and are likely to be made still stricter.

The Minister of Pensions told the Commons recently that in the early days of the war many men were taken into the Forces who ought never to have been taken in.

He took up the matter very strongly with the War Office and there had been an enormous improvement in the medical examinations.

He was now getting fewer and fewer cases, but was still pressing for even stricter examination.

Tribunals to deal with such cases would be set up.

Mr. George Griffiths (Soc. Hemsworth) mentioned the case of a young man who, he said, was practically dying on his feet. Yet his Army medical officer told him he was idling.

The man was in a sanatorium suffering from tuberculosis within a month of his being able to get back home.

War pensions committees are pressing for an appeals tribunal to consider reject pension claims. At present applicants have no right of appeal.

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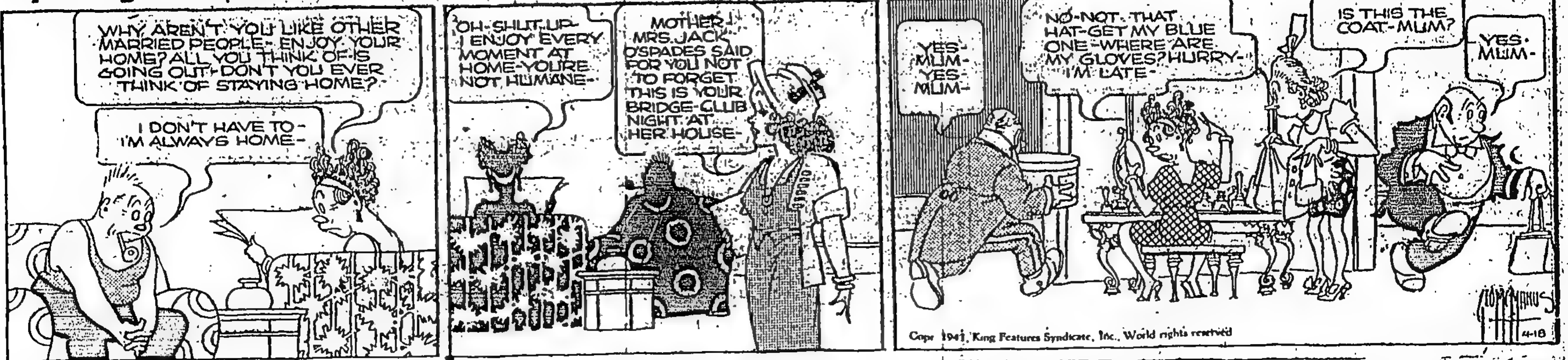
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By George MacManus

Bringing Up Father



## A PAGE FOR WOMEN Slouching Shoulders

Girls, it is neither smart nor healthy to go about with slouching shoulders. Slouched shoulders is just a bad habit and there is nothing we can say in favour of them. How much more beautiful is a high, firm bustline and a straight spine!

Growing girls, and those in their early twenties, should endeavour to attain good posture as a natural habit. So much of your future good health and happiness depends on that good posture! You will want to have a pretty figure in your thirties, good health in your forties and fifties and grace and charm until you die! So build for all that now by correcting your shoulder-slouch if you are guilty of one.

### Do This Every Day

From time to time I give you an effective exercise to improve your bustline and to straighten your shoulders. Add to-day's exercise to those you already have and do practice them every day until your back and shoulder muscles have been strengthened and forced into their correct positions. Then good posture will be unconscious.

Begin this exercise by holding a rod or bar one yard long, high over your head. Make your eyes look level and that means your head back, poised on the tip of your spine!

As you stand thus, draw your abdomen in and up. You can do it—if not the first time, the second or third time.

Then swing your upper body forward **KEEPING ABDOMEN IN** and sweep the floor with the bar if you can, then bring it up to touch your chest as you stand bent over. This forces your shoulder-blades together and stretches your lazy neck muscles. Straighten up to standing position and drop bar to relax.

Repeat this in rhythm at least ten times, and concentrate on



LUCILE FAIRBANKS illustrates starting position of to-day's exercises.

Exercise ends when shoulder-blades are forced together in this manner.

what you are doing. Half-measures get you nowhere, remember.

### Train Your Abdomen

You know, the secret of all good posture is control of abdominal muscles. If they are firm and if you hold your abdomen in an up position you automatically raise your chest

and straighten your spine. So work to get control of those muscles. When you are walking, or standing or lying flat on a bed, forcibly pull your abdomen in and push it out. Relax after a few minutes and repeat the exercise. In no time at all you will find yourself "wanting" to keep in good posture—it gives you a grand sense of poise and comfort!

## The Sun For Health And Beauty

If a cosmetic firm should discover how to bottle sunshine to sell during the rainy or cold months it would make millions of dollars in one year—for sunshine is perhaps the greatest beautifier that man or woman can use!

Fortunately sunshine is free for all. So get yourself and your family out in it as much as possible.

With our high standard of living comes a price—and that price is serious if we pay it. Closed

automobiles keep us separated from fresh air and sunshine. Theatres and movies keep us indoors for hours. Air-conditioned homes tempt us to stay indoors instead of embracing summer's heat as we should—near the sea with our heads and skins well

protected from too scorching sun rays.

We must get out-of-doors more. Children should be encouraged by parents and by schools to play competitive games out under the sun. Mothers can take their children to the roof for an hour or more a day. If one determines to get the sun there are numerous ways in which to enjoy it.

### Consider Sun's Importance

Sun is all important to us. When you consider how a plant grows healthy under the sun rays, and how it withers and dies if denied that sun, we conceive in some measure how vital sunshine is to humans. Without its benefits there would be no life on earth.

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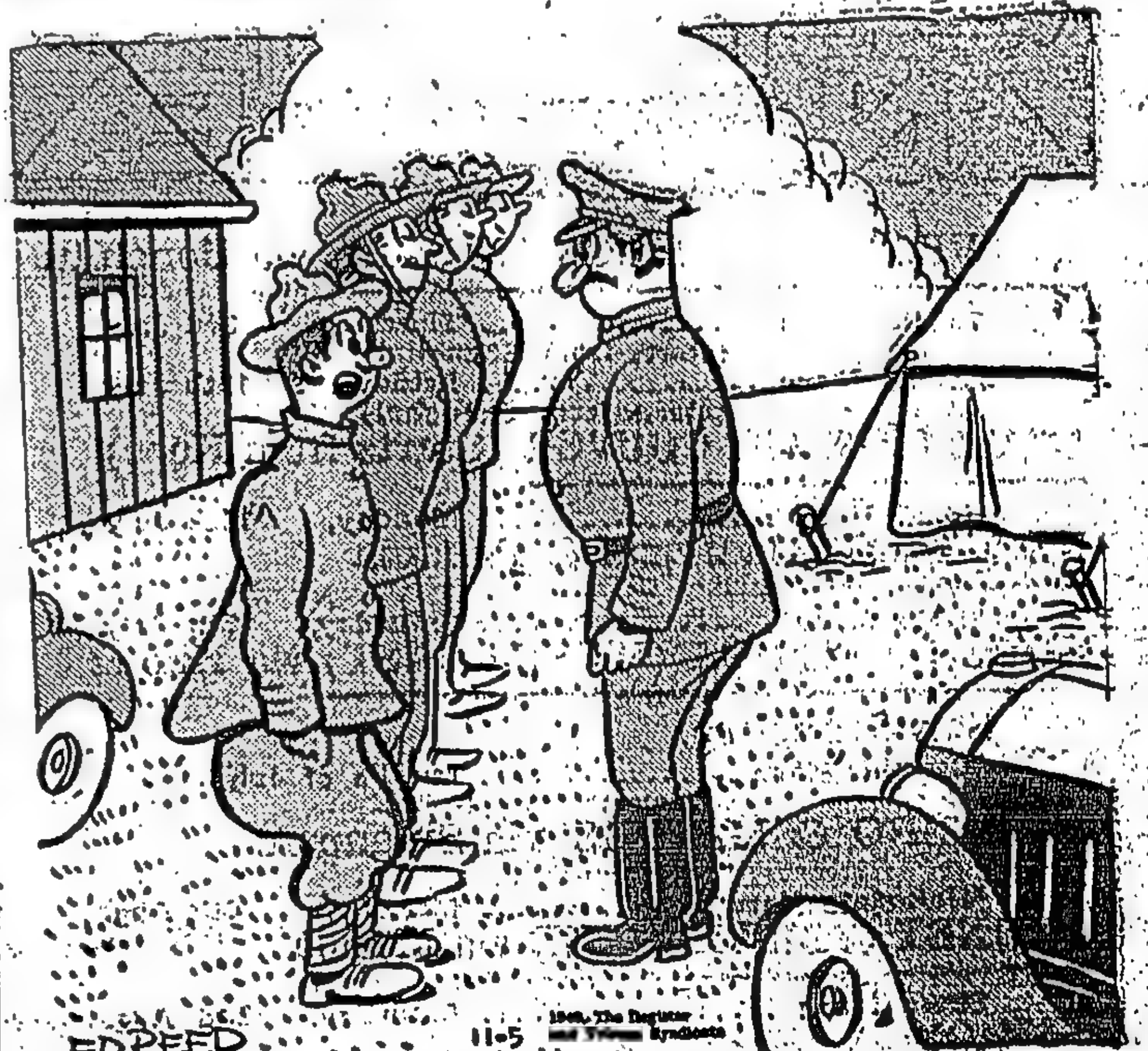
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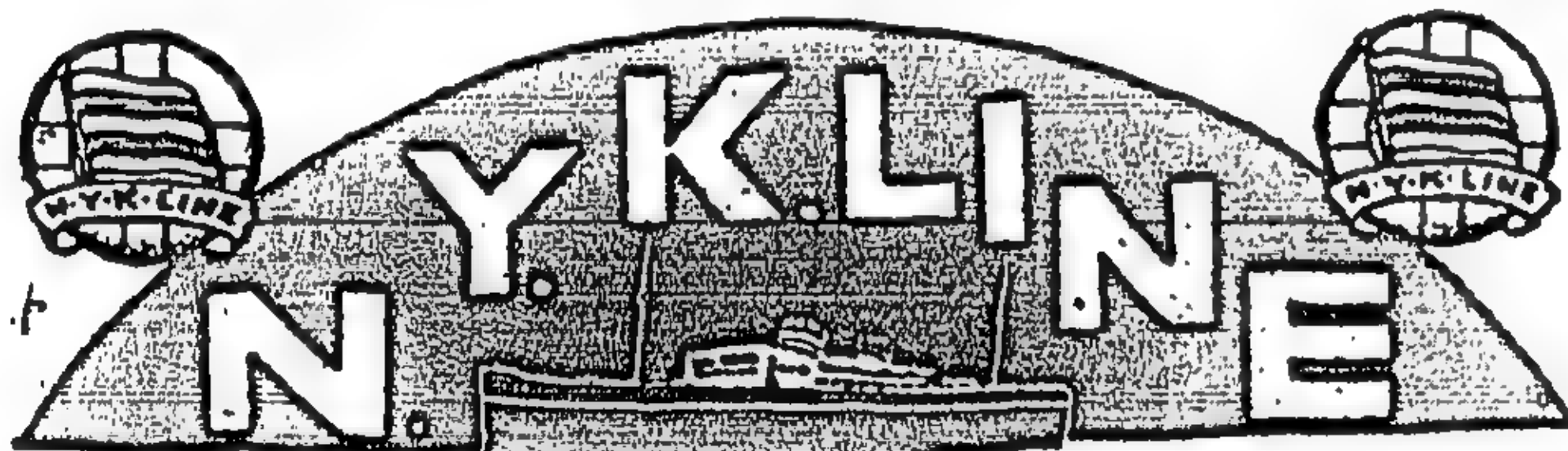
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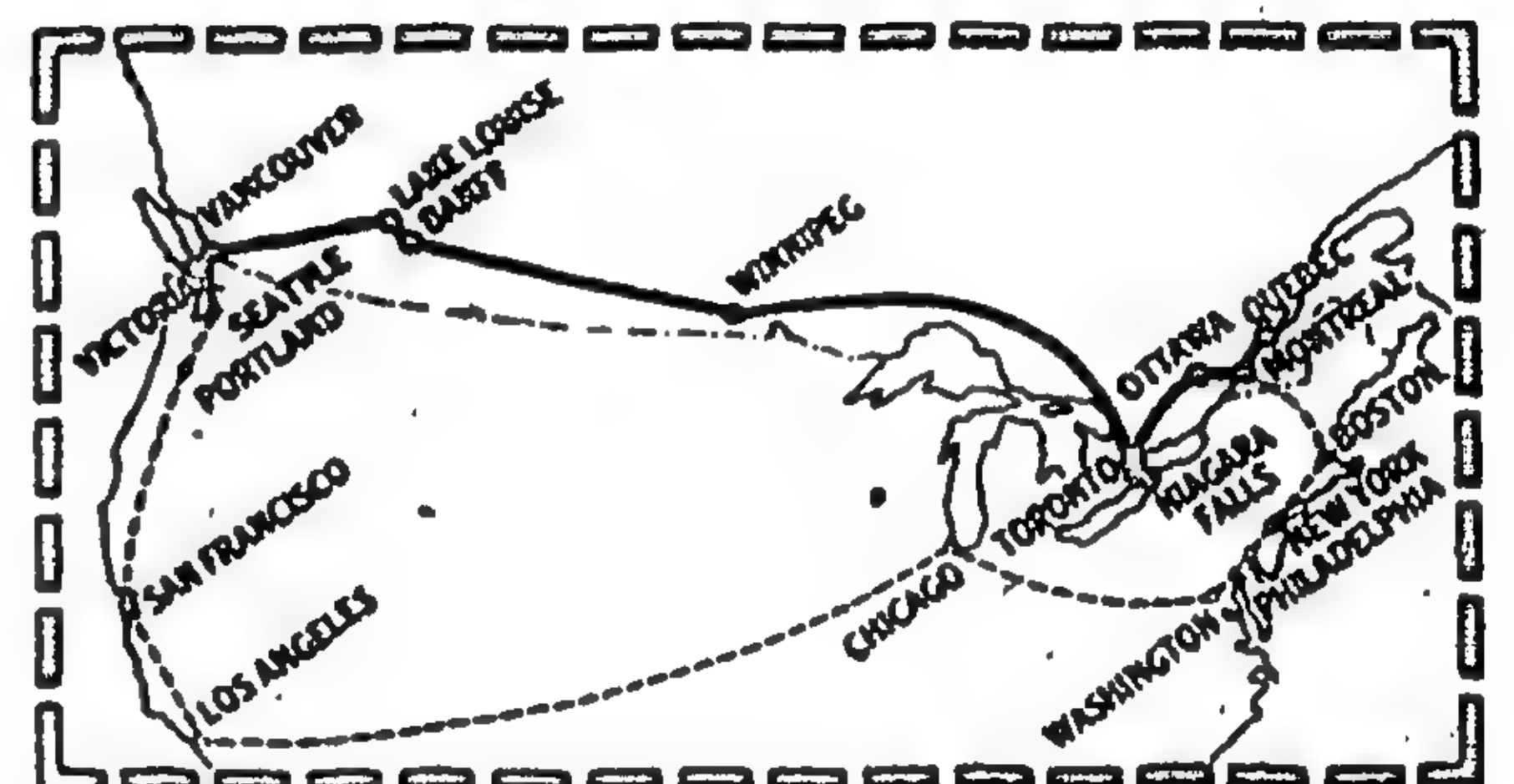
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## GENERALS STEP DOWN IN RANK

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Seven full Generals, one Lieutenant-General, six Major-Generals and seven Brigadier-Generals have agreed to take rank which in only three instances is as high as Brigadier. Of the rest 65 are to be Colonels and 58 Lieutenant-Colonels. The three Area Commanders who take the rank of Brigadiers are:

Gen. Sir Charles Parker Deedes, who was formerly Director-General of Personal Services at the War Office and when he retired in 1937 was Military Secretary to the Secretary for War.

Major-Gen. Lord Loch, a Lord in Waiting to the King and a former Captain of the King's Bodyguard of the Yeoman of the Guard; and

Gen. Sir Cecil Francis Romer, Adjutant-General to the Forces until he retired in 1935.

### Gen. Gough's New Post

Included in the 55 Zone Commanders—and taking the rank of Colonel—are:

Gen. Sir Hubert Gough, who commanded the Fifth Army in 1916-18;

Gen. Sir Reginald May, who was Quartermaster-General to the Forces until his retirement in 1939;

Gen. Sir George Weir, G.O.C.-in-C. British troops in Egypt until 1938;

Gen. Sir Walter Pitt-Taylor, G.O.C.-in-C. Western Command, India, until 1938;

Lt.-Gen. Sir James O'Dowda, commanded the Baluchistan District, India, in 1927-31;

Col. the Earl of Stair, Lord-Lieutenant of Wigtownshire;

Col. Viscount Allendale, a Lord in Waiting to the King;

Major-Gen. Sir W. J. Constable-Maxwell-Scott;

Brig.-Gen. Sir Norman A. Orr-Ewing, former Grand Master Mason of Scotland.

The 10 Group Commanders,

## K.C. And "Lipstick War" RESCUE SLUR IS LIFTED

Allegations of delay in rescue work after an air raid, when a woman and child were saved after fifty-six hours burial under debris, were discussed in private by Brighton Town Council.

In open session it was announced that the Council had, by 44 votes to 4, passed a resolution expressing fullest confidence in the Controller, the Borough Engineer, and the emergency and A.R.P. committees.

The Council also expressed sympathy with those who suffered during the raid.

A technical explanation prepared by the local Master Builders' Association setting out the special difficulties which prevented the rescue work from continuing at night, until the danger of a wall collapse had been overcome, was accepted by the Council as "fairly and correctly representing what took place."

(The Home Secretary denied in the House of Commons that a Regional Commissioner had ordered the postponement of raid rescue operations for fifty-six hours. Rescue work in dangerous circumstances was always a difficult matter for decision and responsibility must rest with the local authority concerned.)

taking the rank of Colonel, include the Earl of Liverpool, former Governor-General of New Zealand and Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland. Actually this is a promotion, for he retired from the Army with the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel.

Among the 56 Battalion Commanders, with the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel, are: Gen. Sir I. L. B. Vesey, Chief of the General Staff, India, until 1939; Major-Gen. H. Rowan-Robinson, Inspector-General, Iraqi Army, from 1930 to 1934; Major-Gen. H. W. Newcome, Colonel-Commandant, R.A., since 1938, and Col. Lord Rotherwick, the well-known shipowner.

## "Lipstick War"

An allegation that business premises requisitioned on behalf of the Government were being used for making such things as lipstick-holders was made in the Chancery Division.

Mr. D. N. Fritt, K.C., appeared for Mr. John Christian Strachan, of Tenterden, Wokingham Road, Bracknell, Berkshire, plaintiff in an action against Shearrex Limited, Moorgate Station Chambers, London, and Mr. Edwin George Brown, of Adastral House, Kingsway, London.

He moved for an interlocutory injunction to restrain the defendants from taking possession of any part of Mr. Strachan's premises, known as Bracknell Garage, other than the parts of which they were in possession at the date the writ was issued.

It was stated that Mr. Brown was a representative of the Ministry of Aircraft Production.

Mr. Pritt said that the Ministry took over three-quarters of the garage, and then said they wanted the rest of it. When Mr. Strachan discovered that 99 per cent. of the work being done on the premises by Shearrex consisted of making lipstick-holders and things of that kind, he was entitled to have the matter investigated by the Court. This was not denied, but it was said that the articles were for export, and that Shearrex had extensive contracts with the Ministry.

Mr. Strachan in his evidence said he believed the firm were manufacturing lipstick-holders, jewel and ring cases and other articles of bakelite material.

Mr. Pritt: I do not know how we are going to carry on a war with lipstick-holders.

Mr. Justice Farwell said that prima facie the fact that the competent authority had made the requisition order was conclusive, unless it could be shown that they had not acted reasonably or in good faith. That was a matter for the trial. There would be no order on the motion, and the Court would give facilities for a speedy trial of the action.

## BABY IS SOLE SURVIVOR OF FAMILY OF 13

The mystery baby who was taken to St. Bartholomew's Hospital after an air raid, wearing a gold signet ring, has been identified as 15-month-old Terence Stone.

He is the sole survivor of a family of 13 who were wiped out in a recent raid on East London. Terry was very badly burned, and had to be placed immediately into a saline bath, thermostatically controlled, so that he remains in an even temperature.

When the raid started they all went into the shelter. Then things got quiet, and they returned to the flat. Almost immediately the bomb dropped. Mr. Charles Bates, Terry's uncle, lost his wife and two children. He was on duty as a fireman when the family were trapped. He helped to dig them out.

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Such committees have been formed in London, Bristol, Hull, Merseyside, Newcastle, Glasgow, Leith and Cardiff. They are composed of representatives of trade unions, shipowners and voluntary organisations.

A national body called the Seamen's Welfare Board was set up by Mr. Bevin some months ago. The Board, as well as having the assistance of the trade unions and the owners, includes a distinguished doctor among its members.

At Mr. Bevin's request an intensive investigation has been carried out into the needs of Indian seamen.

The United States is assisting by opening clubs like the British Merchant Navy Club which Lord Halifax opened in New York. Local committees for aid for seamen have been set up in Baltimore, Boston, New Orleans, Galveston, Houston, Mobile and Charleston.



# MOROCCO CHAN & GRANDPA LEUNG UPSET MOHAWKS 8-7

## Chuck Waggoner Has 3 In 5 Batting Performance

### WHITE STARTS EARLY

[BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT]

What with the typhoon threat washing out all sport, it is indeed refreshing to hear of somebody doing something — even though it be cricket practice in the hot weather, on a gravel pitch, without nets or stumps, and with only a bat and a ball.

Still, it is keenness that makes up for everything else, and in this direction we raise our hats to G. V. White, Police R.C. cricketer, who, at the Police Training School now, is doing his best to instill some of his keenness into two new arrivals, J. Clements and K. Douche.

From White I learned that Clements is a very stylish left-hand bat, and that K. Douche promises great things with the ball, being a more than useful medium-paced bowler.

In the course of a conversation with White, I learned that he had played a good deal of cricket at Home. As previously reported in these columns, he turned out for St. George's in Cricket Club Conference matches, while he received coaching from Gregory and Squires, both of Surrey, at the Hobbs-Sandham cricket school, and later on he went to the Albury-Faulkner School, where he was coached by Pugh, of Glamorgan.

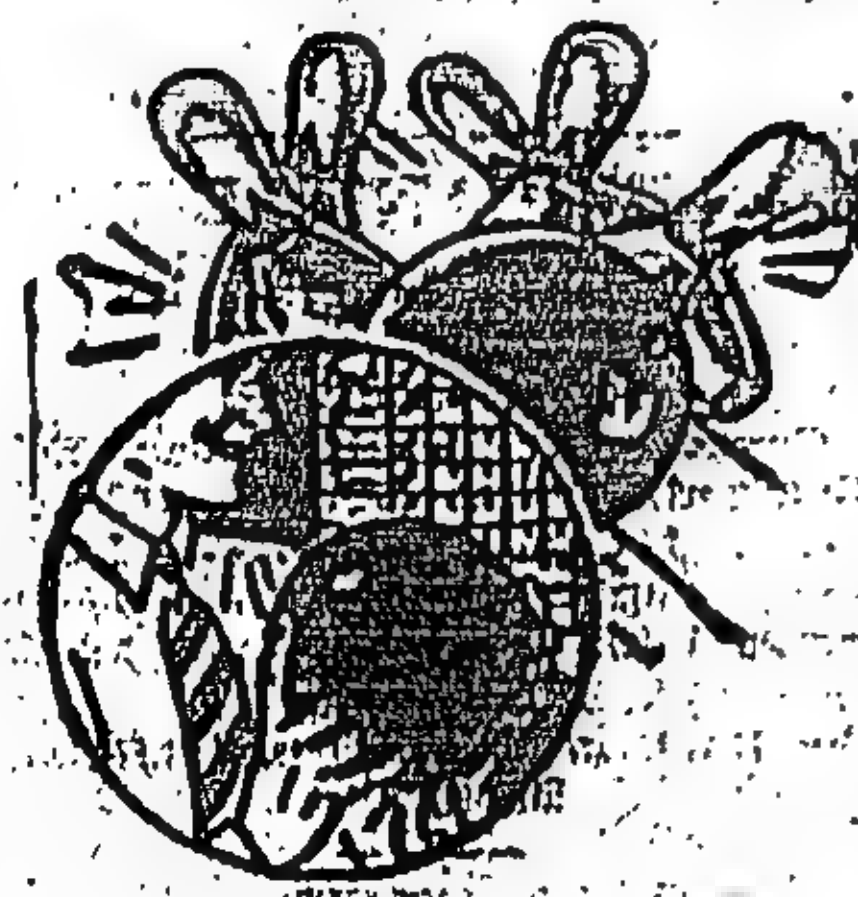
### Sees All Tests

Always keen on the game, White had not missed a Test match at Lord's since 1929 up till the time he came out here in 1939, reason for this being that he was working for an old gentleman who himself was a very keen follower of the game, and he was therefore always given time off to watch the Tests.

White was an observer in the Royal Air Force, but after an accident he resigned. In 1939 he went to Downing College, Cambridge University, for an O.T.C. course, and it was during this period that he rowed No. 4 in the College's second eight.

White has also played a good deal of tennis, while he played a lot of lawn bowls at Hampstead and Burghman, in Somerset.

Last season White, who turned out for P.R.C. in Second Division of the Cricket League, did fairly well, but he is looking forward to a better season now that he has become more used to the light.



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### H.B. SQUAD FATTEN BATTING AVERAGES: CORK BADLY INJURED

By "Grandstand"

**HIGH-LIGHTED BY CHUNG HWA LEFT-GARDENER 'MOROCCO' CHAN'S NEAT STEAL HOME IN THE SEVENTH FOR THE TIE IN RUN AND 'GRANDPA' LEUNG'S CLUTCH SINGLE IN THE NINTH, CHUNG HWA MAROONS NOSED OUT CHUCK WAGGONER'S MOHAWKS 8 TO 7 IN SATURDAY'S NIGHT-CAP, WHICH WENT INTO TWO OVER-TIME STANZAS, WHILST HONG KONG BREWERS WON BOTH OF THEIR GAMES DURING THE WEEK-END, WHEN THEY CALCIMINED SOUTH CHINA 22-0, TRAMPLED ALL OVER ROYAL ENGINEERS TO AN 18-2 VICTORY.**

Dave Leonard homered in the Brewers-South China clash, whilst an unfortunate mishap occurred in Royal Engineers' tilt with Brewers which necessitated out-fielder Cork's removal to hospital, where he was detained.

For the second time in succession, "Grandpa" Leung Foo-cho, that Grand Old Man, came through with a single in the last inning for the Chung Hwa winning tally, the contest going into extra-innings on both occasions.

Mound victor Al Lau went the rout for Chung Hwa, and yielded seven safeties whilst his mates could collect only three singles off Mohawk hurlers Bernie Johnson and Den Cray. Lau fanned six and walked six, but was charged with two wild pitches, whilst Johnson whiffed eight and passed five in five frames. Cray, relieving Johnson in the sixth, accounted for two via the strikeout route, but issued free transportation to first to two Maroons.

### Mohawks Get Going

Mohawks drew first blood on a walk and Chuck Waggoner's rasping single, while Johnnie Schaberg also singled and Larry Lawrence drew a pass to load the sacks with one out, but Cray and Johnson both fanned the breeze for no gain in score.

In Chung Hwa's half three runs trickled across the platter on three walks, and a single, assisted by a couple of Mohawk miscues, for the Maroons to take the lead.

In the second chapter both sides could not produce a run, but in the third the Waggonermen evened the count at 3-all on a pair of doubles by Chuck Waggoner and Bernie Johnson.

In the fourth and fifth slabs Al Lau handcuffed the opposition, retiring the side in 1-2-3 order, whilst two of his mates romped over the pay-off station on a brace of bobbles in the fifth.

Coming into the sixth, moundsmen Lau temporarily lost control and was nicked for two blows, walked one, and tossed one into the dirt for a Mohawk four-run uprising.

Trailing behind two runs in the last of the seventh, Loong popped out to Schaberg. Bill Chang drew a pass and pilfered second and third. Morocco Chan's Texas leaguer scored Chang, whilst Chan also sneaked second and third, beating the peg by a gnat's eyebrow.

### Verbal Abuse

A storm of verbal abuse greeted Hark Ali's close decision, but soon subsided. The fireworks broke out again as Chan stole home whilst hurler Cray was deliveting a pitch, but chief umpire Tony Maschavage ruled the runner safe, and the game was deadlocked 7-7.

Both sides were unable to produce a marker in the eighth and the game went into the ninth that way. Hal Waller grounded out, whilst Larry Lawrence looked at three fast ones for the second

erasure. Cray worked Lau for a free ride to first, but had lead in his shoes and was caught in an attempt to burgle the mid-way cushion.

### Oliver's Lapse

In the Maroons' turn at bat, Dan Oliver dropped Bill Chang's sitter. After pilfering the key-stone sack, Chang got crossed-up on the coacher's signals and calmly strolled back to first-base to be tagged out. "Morocco" Chan next drew a walk and stole second. Grandpa Leung, coming up to the platter with his pet mace, clouted Cray's cripple into short centre to see Chan, with tie-breaker, cross the pay-off station standing up.

Chuck Waggoner's three in five batting performance was the best, and included a two-bagger. Bernie Johnson clouted the only other extra-base knock with a double.

Brewers went out during the week-end with the sole purpose of fattening their batting averages at the expense of South China and Royal Engineers, and that's exactly what they did.

White-washing the Carolinians 22-0, the Beermen chalked up a total of 17 safeties off moundsmen Ernie Moy and P. I. Lau, whilst Gerry Gosano in his mound debut, doled out one blow in three innings. D. Leonard taking over mound duties in a no-hit, no-run performance for the remaining four sessions.

### Only Round-Tripmer

Both Gerry Gosano and Leonard fanned two and walked one, whilst Nam Hwa hurlers Moy and Lau passed two and three respectively. Every Brewer connected for at least one hit, horse-hide banging centre-fielder "Baby" Abbas returning a perfect performance with five singles in his five batting chances, whilst hind-snatcher Lefty Arculli was good for two in three. Dave "Bambino" Leonard slammed a trolley-wire smash to deep left for the only round-tripper during the week-end.

Nam Hwa right-gardener David "Dopey" Lo saved his side from a shut-out with a hump-backed liner to short-centre.

The H.B. R.E. tilt was marred by an unfortunate incident, when Sappers' right-gardener, Cork, sustained several severe cuts whilst chasing Obear Arculli's long hoist which fell on foul territory. The accident necessitated Cork's removal to hospital.

After walking six and dishing out eight safeties in four and two-thirds innings, Engineer hurler, Mike Sarsfield, was derelicted in favour of first-sacker Shaw, who took over mound duties for the rest of the game, yielding three

### LEAGUE TABLE TO DATE

	W.	L.	Pctg.
Chung Hwa	2	0	1.000
U.S.S. Mindanao	2	0	1.000
Hong Kong Brewers	3	1	.750
U.S.S. Asheville	1	1	.500
Royal Engineers	1	2	.333
H.K. Baseballers	0	2	.000
South China	0	3	.000

hits. Madeen "Slim" Arculli, who worked on the rubber for the Beermen, was nicked for five safeties and fanned only three.

### Sappers Start Well

Sappers held the Leonard run-making machine in check for the first canto, but the mace-mauling of the super-sluggers soon began to tell, as they chalked up clusters of four and five runs in the second and third to pave the way for an 18-run scoring spree.

Sappers broke the ice in the sixth when Shaw singled, George Souza, guardian of the windy alley, booted a perfect double-play set-up by fumbling Tom Fox's easy roller. Bob Foley next up, rapped out a single to phase Shaw across the counting station, whilst Fox romped home when Tony "Peewee" Alves heaved a wild one over third base.

The tilt was featured by two twin-killings, when Tony Alves froze on to Welles, Wellford's liner and caught Ratcliffe off second for an unassisted double-play, and again when Arculli pegged Ratcliffe at second after Gray had struck out.

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For efficient stroking the stance must be relaxed, almost lazy like in appearance with the arms hanging comfortably from the shoulders. This looseness allows a fluent swing and, with the hands moving close to the body, an impact with the clubhead

International goodwill among the baseballers of California and Australia has been further strengthened by the completion of the second annual "correspondence" Team-Field-Games contest between the Golden Bears and Victorian Baseball Association of Melbourne. Initiated in 1939 by Coach Clint Evans, through a friendly challenge to the V.B.A., this event now has a regular place on the California schedule.

Unlike the initial contest (when the Golden Bears won all three events), the contest this time was decided by the results of the circling-the-bases division. California led in fungo-hitting by a team-aggregate of 162ft. 6in., but the Aussies total in throwing was 108 feet 3 inches greater than that of the Bears.

While not one of the three California runners equalled Mel Duezabou's 1939 performance of circling-the-bases in 13.8, their aggregate time of 43.5 was too fast for the Aussies, whose combined time was 44.8, and this gave the Golden Bears the victory by a score of 2-to-1.

### Great Improvement

Feature of this year's contest was the great improvement made by the Australians in throwing. In 1939 their aggregate for the three throwers was 974ft. 3in., while this year it was 1,081-4. Their best representative—Ern Bromley, the Test cricketer, has now taken part in four contests of this type and his distances were: 347-2, 349-4, 371-5, and 374-7.

This last mark is the third best since these contests began and has only been surpassed by Ray Tran (St. Mary's) with 411-6 and Quentin Thompson (Stanford) 410-6.

All three Australian throwers registered better performances than the California trio. Bill Johnston (also a most promising cricketer) achieved a distance of 384-2 and Ed Kelly 342-7.

California's aggregate of 1,086 in the hitting was 33 feet better than the previous best for these contests. Catcher Carl Hoberg was in especially good form and all three of his drives were over 350 feet with the longest travelling 373 feet for a new California and contest record. Ray Amling was a close second with 364 feet and George Wilson's best was 349-6.

Weather permitting, Chung Hwa meet Royal Engineers in a League baseball game at Chatham Road ground to-day at 5.45 p.m.



straight ahead along the line of flight or slightly from the inside out. When the hands are far out from the body control is reduced and club-head is quite likely to cut across the ball from the outside in causing a slice.

Next Article—Left Hip Around.



## MRS. ROUND LITTLE AS COACH

Dorothy Round-Little, famous Wimbledon tennis star, who joined the Seignior Club P.Q., on June 23 as tennis coach for the Summer is, according to Mary Harwick of England, one of the greatest woman players of the game.

Miss Harwick, who was in Montreal recently to discuss plans for her forthcoming exhibition games with Mrs. Little, for the benefit of the Canadian Red Cross, said her countrywoman could compete easily with the three greatest women players in the world, the late Suzanne Lenglen, Helen Wills and Althea Marble (an opinion, incidentally, shared by Miss Marble).

"Dorothy Round is certainly the greatest woman player I ever had in England and, when on her game, is a stylist of rare perfection," said Miss Harwick. "I still can recall a game I played with her on the great centre court at Wimbledon in 1936 when I was on the Wightman Cup Team for the first time. Her speed and perfect stroking then I have always remembered."

### Played With Brothers

Mrs. Little first played tennis with her three elder brothers with no thought of becoming any more than an ordinary player until the age of 16 when she played in her first tournament. This occurred in North Wales in 1920 and her performance attracted the attention of the local press. Encouraged, she entered and won the Worcestershire Junior Championships the following week. The next year she played in London for the first time and surprised everyone by nearly beating Betty Nuthall who, even then, was world famous.

Since those early days Dorothy Round has become an internationally well known figure in the tennis world. She won the Wimbledon championship twice, first when she defeated Helen Jacobs in 1934 and again in 1937 when she won from the Polish star, Jadwiga Jedzejowska.

### Mixed Doubles Wins

She won the mixed doubles championships at Wimbledon three times, once with R. Miki of Japan and in 1935 and 1936 with Fred Perry.

From 1932 to 1937 she was ranked first in Great Britain and was a member of the British Wightman Cup team which visited the United States in 1935. She has toured the world twice winning championships in Australia, United States (the 1933 Pacific Coast championships at Los Angeles when she defeated Alice Marble) and in New Zealand.

Mrs. Little, who is in Canada for the war's duration with her small son, Ian, entered the teaching ranks for the first time when she turned to coaching on the Seignior Club courts this summer. Several other fields were open to the British star, who is the author of two books entitled "Tennis for Girls" and "Modern Lawn Tennis" but her desire to teach the game was foremost.

# Golf's Hall Of Fame Selections Criticized

New ships do not always have a perfect launching, writes A. Linde Fowler in "The Christian Science Monitor." Something like that, metaphorically speaking, seems to have overtaken the recent launching of the Golf Hall of Fame, idea of Fred Corcoran, tournament manager of the Professional Golfers' Association of America, the organization which sponsored the movement.

The idea, copied from baseball, seemed to meet with general approval. There were no loud dissenters, apparently, when the personnel of the first selection committee was made known, with Grantland Rice as chairman; O. B. Keeler, Kerr Petrie and this writer as the other members, all with a wealth of background provided by from 30 to 40 years of reporting and commenting on affairs of the links.

It was not until this committee had named, as the first of the great names whose names were to be perpetuated in some suitable fashion, Francis D. Ouimet, Walter C. Hagen, Gene Sarazen and Robert Tyre Jones, Jr. (naming them in the calendar order of their first major national or international victories) that the sports columnists began to pound their typewriter keyboards and grind out copy criticising both the committee and the P. G. A.

### No Girl Named

Criticisms, for the most part, as I gather from Fred Corcoran, are that the committee failed to name

a number of amateurs and professionals whose deeds fully justified their inclusion in the niches of fame, and was decidedly remiss in not having named a single female great. In other words, the committee has been assailed more from the angle of omission than of commission. As an individual, rather than as a committeeman, I will agree that failure to include the gentler sex was a lamentable oversight, which probably never would have occurred had the committee met as a group, instead of comparing notes as their paths crossed in their peregrinations.

### Absentees

With those who charge the committee with having been remiss in not naming, in their initial group, such men as Jerome D. Travers, four times winner of the national amateur championship and once of the open; Charles E. (Chick) Evans, as winner of the national amateur twice and the national open once, the same as Francis Ouimet, and with those who name others well worthy of a place in the Hall of Fame, I have no quarrel. Such critics do the committee little credit in suggesting that the names and fame of such golfers were either ignored, unknown, or overlooked.

### Carry On Selections

What these critics fail to take into account was that the P. G. A. was indirectly paying a real compliment to the growing ranks of

golf writers in purposely limiting the selections of the initial committee of "veteran writers" to four men, thus leaving it to the much larger circle of golf writers throughout the country to carry on the selections, in future, and, by their majority vote name the men who in their selective opinion should be memorialised.

Again as a commentator, rather than as a committeeman, I venture the opinion that the P. G. A. might wisely have empowered its "veteran" first Hall of Fame Committee to name not four, but 10 or a dozen or more golfers at the very outset, for a variety of reasons. First and foremost, the members of this committee are more conversant with the deeds and personalities of the great golfers of the past than a large majority of the newer crop of writers and might advance cogent reasons why some golfer should be included whose name and fame are little known to the present-day golfing scribes, except for what they might find in the U.S.G.A. or P.G.A. Year Books.

### Only Half Story

Such statistics may tell only half the story. The book records in baseball, for example, convey more than do those in golf, in my opinion. In baseball, furthermore, the greats of the game appear time and time again before thousands in all cities where major league baseball is played, whereas the greats of golf gain their laurels

largely from one or two appearances a year, either in national open or amateur championships for the men, and the one national for the women, supplemented, perhaps, by their efforts in foreign competition.

### Slight Differences

Moreover, would a so-called modern writer give much consideration to a man who won a national open with a total of 331, as Willie Anderson did in 1901, as compared to the scores which win national open titles to-day? Would he give the proper consideration to the changes in balls, implements, grooming of courses and other factors which have brought about such a wide variance? As one little example, Alex Smith was second, with 335, in the national open of 1898, whereas 23 years later, long past his prime, he was tied for fifth at the Columbia C.C., Chevy Chase, Md., with a total of 303.

In a forthcoming series of Saturday articles I will have the temerity to present a group of names of golfers who in my opinion deserve to be in the Golf Hall of Fame, together with my reasons, and also to answer at least one critic who wants to know why Francis Ouimet should be selected ahead of Chick Evans.

A demonstration water-polo game between Royal Navy and Army scheduled to have taken place tonight at the Army Pool has been postponed.

## NEWMARKET RACING CARNIVAL

Some of the glories of Royal Ascot will be revived at Newmarket to-day and to-morrow when substitute races for those normally held on the famous Berkshire Heath will be run.

Wartime's first Ascot will be stripped of the usual glamour, such as the fashion parade and Royal Family's state arrival along the course, but the racing will be of the highest standard.

With the exception of the Derby winner, Owen Tudor, which is unlikely to run again until the St. Leger in September, all the leading horses are engaged for the valuable prizes offered by the Ascot authorities who, though unable to use their own course which is serving other purposes, are anxious to maintain such events as the Coventry Stakes and Queen Mary Stakes for two-year-olds, St. James Palace Stakes for three-year-olds and the Gold Cup.

The Royal touch may quite possibly be provided by the King scoring a great double with his unbeaten two-year-olds Big Game and Sun Chariot in the Coventry and Queen Mary respectively.

Starters and jockeys in the Gold Cup are:

Top Coat (Elliott); Finis (Harry Wragg); Winterhalter (D. Smith); Olden (Carey); Ling Legend (Beary); Hippus (Eph Smith); Single Court (Cliff Richards).—Reuter.

## SWIMMING GALA VENUE IS CHANGED

The A.N.S. and V.A.D. swimming gala to be held on Saturday, July 12, has been transferred from the European Y.M.C.A. to the larger Army pool. At a meeting yesterday it was decided to reorganise the programme.

In view of the fact that the change of venue entailed a change of distance (the Y.M.C.A. is 25 yards long and the Army 33-1/3) it was decided to limit the A.N.S. and V.A.D. events to a length each. The following programme was approved:

A.N.S. v. V.A.D. in free-style, breast-stroke, back-stroke, relay and diving.

Y.M.C.A. Members two lengths free-style.

One-length obstacle race.

Garrison Officers v. Volunteer Officers Relay (teams of eight).

Exhibition Diving

Y.M.C.A. 200 yards handicap. Women's one length invitation race.

133-1/3 yards invitation relay (Hong Kong Naval Volunteer Force, Army, European Y.M.C.A.). Water-polo—Army v. Combined Navy-Civilians.

In the A.N.S. and V.A.D. events points will be awarded on a 4, 3, 2, 1 basis and relays will count 4 and 2.

If the weather is unfavourable, it is intended, providing the pool is free, to hold the gala on the following Saturday, July 10.

### EASTERN WIN 13-0

The touring Eastern footballers had a field day at Wagga on Monday, beating the local team by 13 goals to nil.

The second Test match will be played on July 8 at Sydney. The Chinese won the first Test by 6-4.

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# TORCH OF VICTORY PRESENTED TO PRIME MINISTER

## French Vessel Captured

A fast French motor liner, the Orégon, 7,706 tons, has been captured in the South Atlantic by British warships, according to maritime circles in New York last night.

The ship, it is reported, was taken to Freetown. She was well-known, before the war, on the Pacific Coast.

The British also captured two French trawlers, the Lorage, 580 tons; and the Avantgarde, 780 tons; and took them to Gibraltar. —Reuter.

## SITUATION STILL OBSCURE

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and held the town till evening when the capture was completed.

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## Luftwaffe Attacks

A Berlin military commentary on the German High Command's

IN THE GARDEN of No. 10, Downing Street yesterday, the Prime Minister received the "Torch of Victory," emblem of Canada's Victory War Loan which, after travelling across the Dominion, has now been flown to England by a Bomber plane.

The Torch, which was inscribed "part of the tools of the Canadian Victory Loan, 1941" was presented to the Prime Minister by Mr. Ian Mackenzie, Canadian Minister of Pensions.

He also presented a scroll signed by the Governor-General of Canada, the Earl of Athlone, the Prime Minister of Canada, Mr. Mackenzie King, the Premiers of nine Canadian provinces and by other distinguished citizens who took part in the war loan campaign, pledging Canada's journey to the end of the road, no matter how long and toilsome.

He also gave the Prime Minister

communicate emphasises that damage is being done to Russian communications by the Luftwaffe.

It says that the railway line from the Baltic to Leningrad was cut in four places and in the central sector, four goods trains and one munitions train were destroyed yesterday.

## Riga Captured

According to a Stockholm message, Riga is now in the hands of the Germans.

The Riga radio has been silent for some days, but it resumed broadcasting at 8.15 a.m. yesterday, when a German officer announced the fall of Riga. —Reuter.

ter a letter from the chairman of the Canadian War Loan Committee.

Mr. Winston Churchill, in acknowledging the gift, said: "I am much affected by the kindness and the message you bring me, and by the emblem which has been carried so far overland, through the air and over the sea. It has come here to represent another impulse of the new effort which Canada is making in all these months and years of storm."

"I cannot thank you enough for all you have said about me which I shall labour to deserve without any expectation of achieving such high results."

## Proud Welcome

"But at any rate in this old house and garden, which has for a hundred years been the centre from which the British Government has been conducted, in the sunshine of this afternoon when no enemy planes dare to come within the range of our fighting air force, I am proud to welcome here representatives of the Canadian forces and you yourself, and the Canadian Minister for Air who have come all this way to encourage us in our fight, and to add their own weighty contributions to assure us, if indeed assurance were needed, that Canada will continue to the end."

"The end may be far off, we cannot tell. It depends upon the enemy. How long that wicked man will torture and afflict nations, how often or in what direction he will set his murder machine in motion, we cannot tell."

"One thing we are assured, he and his villainous crew will be delivered to the doom and shame which is their due, and we ourselves shall have the honour of having had something to do with it."

## Symbol Of Will

In presenting the Torch, the scroll and the letter to the Prime Minister, Mr. Ian Mackenzie said: "I have the honour of presenting, on behalf of the people of Canada, this Torch of Freedom and Victory to you. This Torch is the symbol of the will and devotion of our Canadian people. The Torch had been taken by a bomber plane through the great centres of the population of Canada."

After praising the Prime Minister's qualities as a leader, Mr. Mackenzie formally presented him with the Torch and the scroll. The Canadian Minister for Air, Mr. O. G. Power, who has recently arrived in this country, was present at the ceremony, as was also Mr. Vincent Massey, High Commissioner of Canada.

When the Torch was being displayed in the different towns in Canada, there were always present with it three representatives of the armed forces of Canada. For the afternoon's ceremony there were also three officers present, representing the three armed forces of Canada. They were Lieut. Stirling, Royal Canadian Navy; Lieut. Guimont, 32nd Regiment—French Canadian Regiment; and Lieut. Stewart, Royal Canadian Air Force. —Reuter.

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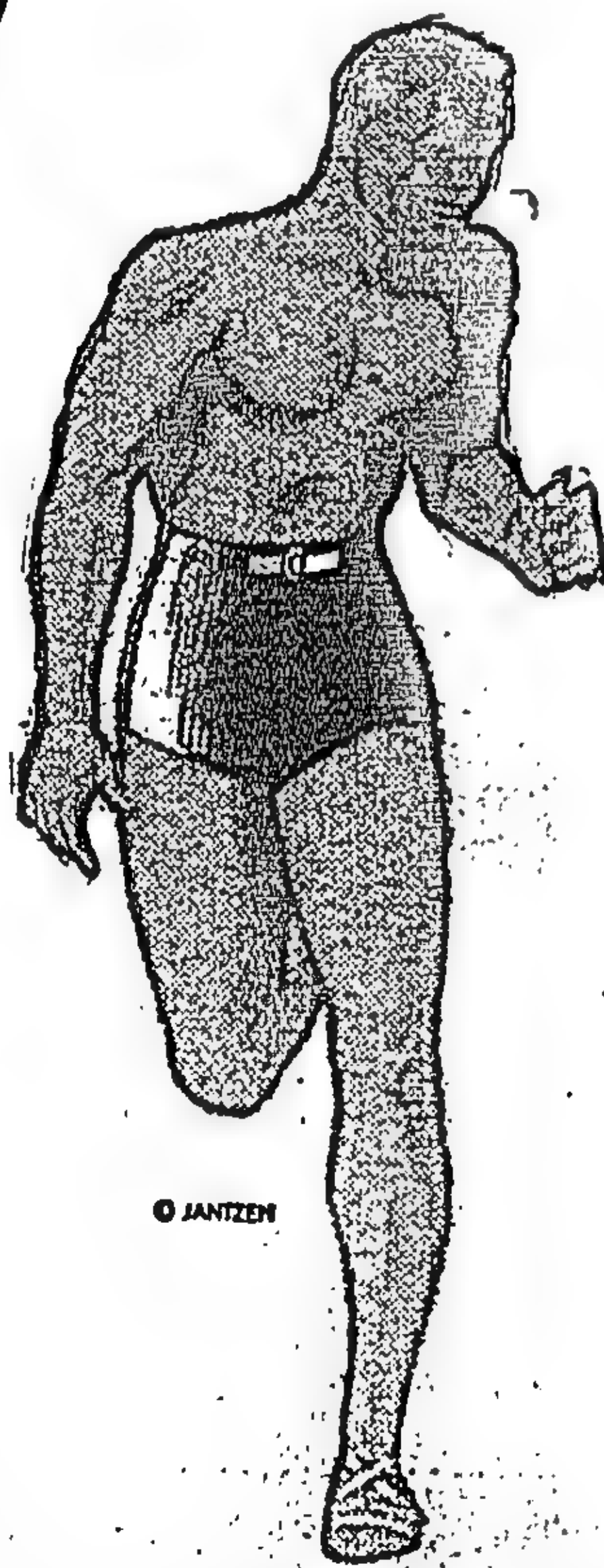


Mrs. Winston Churchill was the first customer of two Mobile Club Vans, which were presented to her for the Y.W.C.A. by the National Council of Women and the Girl's Life Brigade. The vans are designed as traveling shop-cum-library-cum-cinemas for Ack-Ack girls of the Y.W.C.A. (Copyright, Fox).

## STOP PRESS

The Foreign Minister, Mr. Quo Tai-chi, will issue a statement to-day announcing the severance of relations with Germany and Italy, and the withdrawal of diplomatic and consular representatives. — Reuter.

Crashing into a wharf at 2 a.m. yesterday a steam launch sank in the Yaumati Typhoon Shelter. The boat was anchored outside the Shelter. The anchor chain snapped and the launch drifted into the Shelter crashing into a wharf and sinking.



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### Germans Claim To Be In Luck

#### AXIS CAUTION ON RUSSIA

"The fighting in the Russo-German war is still in its early stages and will demand a further big effort on the part of the Axis," states Signor Gayda, in the "Giornale d'Italia," continuing the Italian press warning against the belief that the war will soon be over.

Gayda adds: "The fighting on the Russian front does not present possibilities of easy victories. It is prudent not to exaggerate the facts nor to talk about decisive developments.

"The Russians still dispose great masses of men and material and has well prepared defence lines in huge territories which will certainly assist the defence." — Reuter.

#### 2,000 Arrests In France

Arrests of Communists in Paris are reported to have run to 2,000 as part of the widespread police round-up, following Vichy's breach with Russia, states the Vichy correspondent of the Zurich newspaper "Neutzuenger Zeitung."

The correspondent adds: "The Russian Embassy buildings in Vichy are guarded by soldiers. A sharp watch is being kept at the town's exits.

Many Russians have been arrested and energetic action taken against Communists in other parts of France."

The "Gazette Lausanne" reports from Vichy that, as evidence of the powerful French Communist organisation, the Communist newspaper, "Humanite," though banned since the beginning of the war has been appearing regularly in several French towns. — Reuter.

#### NO RAIDS YESTERDAY

An official communique states that up to 8 p.m. last evening there had been no reports of enemy activity over Britain during the day. — British Wireless.

## Stalin Now In Supreme Command

#### CHINA BREAKS OFF RELATIONS WITH AXIS

The Foreign Office in Chungking has cabled Mr. Chen Chieh, Chinese Ambassador to Berlin, and Mr. Hsu Tao-lin, Chinese Charge d'Affaires in Rome, instructing the Chinese diplomatic representatives in Germany and Italy to return to China. — Reuter.

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(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

ALTHOUGH THERE IS NO DIRECT NEWS TO INDICATE THE REAL POSITION SINCE THE GERMANS ANNOUNCED THAT PANZER DIVISIONS WERE STREAMING ALONG THE ROAD FROM MINSK TO MOSCOW, THE LATEST SOVIET COMMUNIQUE REFERS TO A DEFEAT INFLICTED ON THE PANZER UNITS BETWEEN MINSK AND BARANOVITCH.

There is no confirmation of reports that the Germans have occupied Minsk, but the heavy pressure of the German forces between Minsk and Vilna places the Red Army south in a difficult position.

Stalin has now taken over virtual personal command of the Red Armies, with Marshal Voroshilov as his right hand man.

In a fierce battle near Minsk with Finnish and German troops cooperating in the attack, it is claimed in Moscow that the enemy has been hurled back repeatedly. — International News Service.

#### Fall Of Luck Claimed

It is announced in London that the official German News Agency has claimed the capture of Luck in Poland.

German tanks which pushed ahead of the main body were responsible for the capture of Luck, according to a circumstantial story broadcast last night by the Official German News

Agency, which claims that they were cut off by the collapse of a burning bridge but overcame firstly, two Soviet tanks, then three heavy anti-tank guns, and finally four more Soviet tanks and an armoured observation car, and held the town till evening when the capture was completed.

Luck is the manufacturing town on the River Stry, 85 miles north-east of Lwow and lies on the route of the German thrust towards Kiev, the capital of Poland.

#### Luftwaffe Attacks

A Berlin military commentary on the German High Command's communique emphasises that damage is being done to Russian communications by the Luftwaffe. (Continued on Page 16)

## U.S. AND ENTRY INTO WAR

Everyone is against war, just as everyone is against sin, said President Roosevelt at his Press Conference held at Hyde Park, near New York, yesterday.

The President reaffirmed his hope that America could stay out of the war, but he went on to draw a distinction between hope and belief.

It was obvious, he said, how anyone would vote in a poll on whether the United States should plunge actively in a conflict with the Axis.

President Roosevelt, in the last two months, has often asserted that he hoped the United States would keep out of the European conflict. To-day reiteration followed recent criticism of the Administration's policy, that the country was being led along the road to active participation.

The President declined to discuss the espionage arrests carried out by the F.B.I. — Reuter.

#### PERSONS DETAINED

The Home Secretary stated yesterday that on 31st May, the total number of persons detained under Defence Regulations 18b was 781. — British Wireless.

## SOVIET SOLDIER PUTTING UP A GRAND SHOW

"THE SOVIET SOLDIER HAS OFTEN SHOWN A GREATER CONTEMPT FOR DEATH THAN HIS ADVERSARY DURING THE PRESENT FIGHTING," SAYS THE BERLIN CORRESPONDENT OF THE ZURICH NEWSPAPER, "NATIONAL ZEITUNG," QUOTING GERMAN PRESS REPORTS.

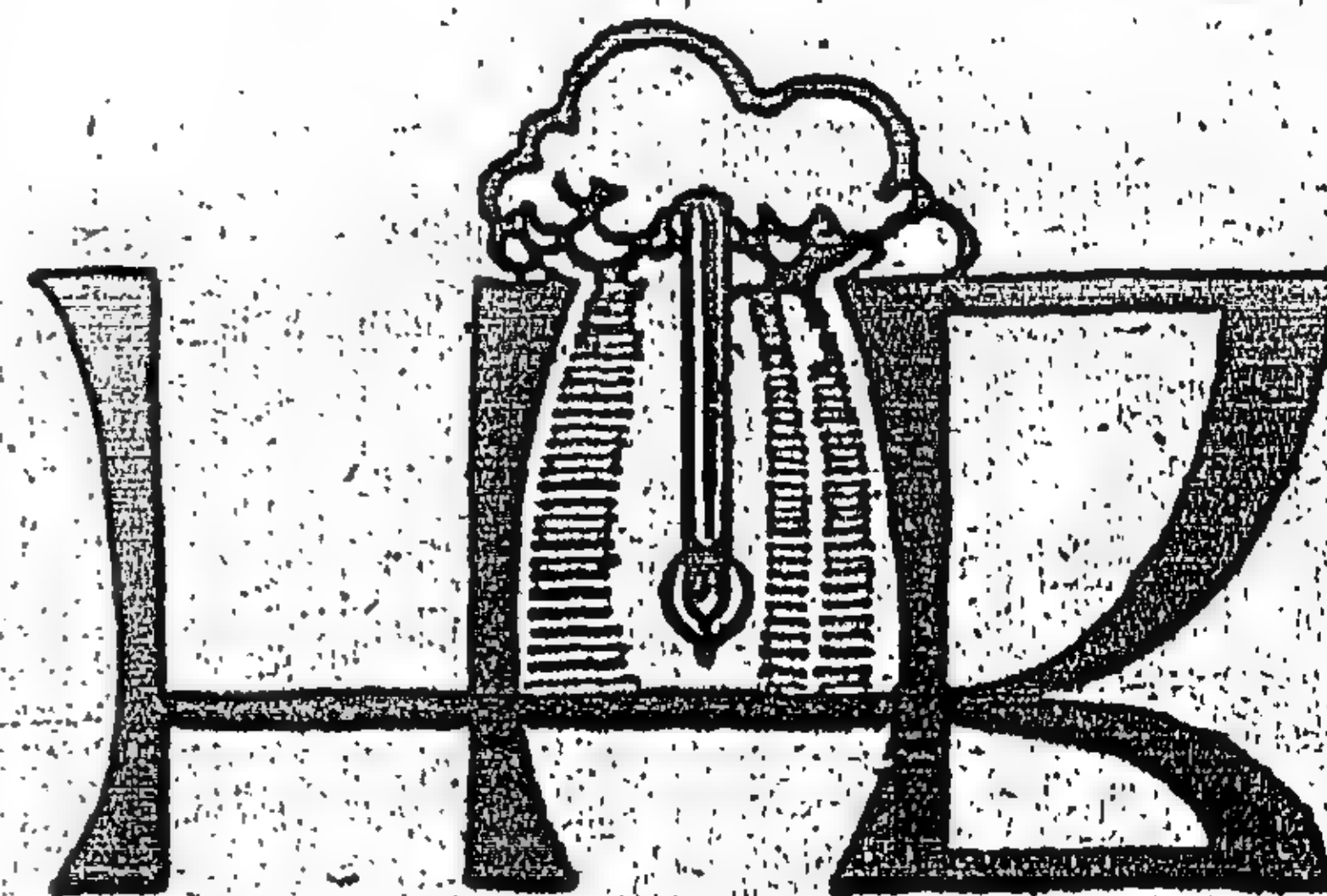
The correspondent adds: "His tenacity, combined with a certain fatalism, enables him to hold out until he is blown up together with his pillbox."

"The Russians have shown cleverness, as in the last war, in laying out fortifications, trenches and underground communications. The Russians often adopt ambush tactics, formerly used in the civil war, consistent in allowing the first waves of an enemy attack to pass through,

and then exposing it to cross fire between the first and second lines."

"Thus fighting, as all the German reports underline, is everywhere desperate and stubborn. The Russian Air Force attacks with the greatest pluck, but accurate bombing, it is reported, is rare owing to faulty aiming and technique." — Reuter.

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# Air Force Coup In Heavy Raid On Harbour At Tripoli

## VICHY ON SYRIAN CAMPAIGN

The following Vichy communique on the Syrian fighting was given on the German-controlled Paris Radio last night:—

"The principal efforts of the British troops continue to be directed on Palmyra and the coastal sector.

"In spite of violent bombing, our troops of the Palmyra garrison were able to maintain their positions. They repulsed the British attack inflicting considerable losses on the English.

Then the garrison effected a heavy attack on British positions. Many prisoners were taken and important war materials were seized.

"In the same sector, our heavy bombers attacked a group of armoured vehicles belonging to the enemy and destroyed much material. Three of our aircraft have not returned.

"In the Merdj Ayoun sector, there has been artillery activity. On the coast casualties have been caused by the bombing of Beirut. The British Air Force has received numerous reinforcements within the last few days, and increased its attacks especially on our aerodromes."—Reuter.

## NEW GOVERNOR OF BARBADOS

Sir Henry Gratten Bushe, legal adviser to the Dominions Office and Colonial Office, has been appointed Governor of Barbados.

He will succeed Sir John Waddington who has been appointed Governor of Northern Rhodesia. —Reuter.

## Reinforcements Caught In Process Of Disembarkation

ACCORDING TO A Royal Air Force Middle East communique issued in Cairo yesterday, big Axis ships in Tripoli Harbour were severely damaged by the R.A.F. and many casualties were caused by R.A.F. aircraft when machine-gunning disembarking troops.

Seven Axis 'planes were destroyed by British fighters which were protecting British ships off the coast.

The communique adds: "Tripoli: Bomber aircraft of the R.A.F. carried out a number of successful raids on the harbour at Tripoli. Several hits were obtained on enemy vessels. An enemy aerodrome in the same area was also attacked by our bombers. These bombs started fires among the dispersed enemy aircraft. At least five were destroyed while a large transport aircraft was destroyed by machine-gun fire.

### Malta Raid

"Malta: A number of Italian 'planes which approached Malta on Monday were intercepted by our fighters some miles out at sea. Two of the enemy were shot down and a number of others damaged. "Cyrenaica: Fighters of the R.A.F. and South African Air Force, carrying out a covering patrol over our ships off the coast of Cyrenaica on Monday, drove off a number of enemy aircraft which attempted several attacks. During these engagements they shot down one German fighter, two German dive-bombers and

two Italian fighters and damaged several other German fighters.

"Syria: Raids were carried out on Monday on enemy aerodromes in Syria. At Aleppo, bombs fell on the centre of a runway and in front of hangars. At Palmyra, bombs were dropped and a number of twin-engined aircraft damaged.

### Numerous Casualties

Much damage was also done to buildings and numerous casualties inflicted. An attack was also carried out on Soueida where direct hits were obtained on military buildings. During the night of Sunday and Monday a heavy raid was made on the harbour and shipping at Beirut. Bombs were seen to burst on the central quay and northern mole and a number of fires were started. "From all these operations two of our aircraft are missing."—Reuter.

### One Vessel Blown Up

It was officially announced in Cairo yesterday that the R.A.F. bombed Tripoli Harbour and hit several enemy vessels.

One vessel blew up and other large ships, including one of about 25,000 tons, were severely damaged. —Reuter.

### 20,000-Tonner Hit

Other large ships, including one of about 20,000 tons, were hit by several bombs and severely damaged. One of these was seen to be in a half-sunken condition.

An enemy aerodrome in the same area was also attacked by our bombers. Their bombs started fires amongst dispersed CR42's and other enemy aircraft.

At least five were destroyed, while a large transport aircraft was destroyed by machine-gun fire.

## Sweep Over The Channel

R.A.F. bombers, guarded by scores of fighters, crossed the Channel early last evening to continue their offensive over Northern France.

As they passed over a Kent town, some of them in the direction of Dunkirk, watchers lost count of the number of fighters roaring overhead.

Soon after the leading formation had passed out of sight, buildings on the English side of the Channel began to tremble with the crash of falling bombs on the French side of the water. —Reuter.

## LORD PARMOOR DIES AT 88

Lord Parmoor, father of Sir Stafford Cripps, British Ambassador in Moscow, died on Monday night aged 88. After many years as a member of Parliament, Lord Parmoor was Lord President of the Council in the first and second Labour Governments. —British Wireless.

## EMPIRE AIR SCHEME PROGRESS

Major J. C. Power, Canadian Air Minister, who arrived in England yesterday from Canada, told a press conference in London, that the Empire Air training scheme was well ahead of schedule.

Major Power added that about 80 per cent. of the original plan was now in operation.

There were about 115 training units.

From seven to 10 per cent. of the air crews were United States citizens and American Civil pilots who were being used as instructors in bombing and gunnery.

The output of pilots was up to expectations and there was no shortage of air crew recruits.

The chief object of Major Power's mission, which will last about two weeks, is to discuss with Sir Archibald Sinclair, British Air Minister, administrative problems arising from the joint air training plans for Canada and Britain. —Reuter.

## EXTENSIVE R.A.F. DAYLIGHT RAIDS ON GERMANY

AN EVEN MORE extensive daylight operation by British bombers over North-West Germany was announced by the Air Ministry in a communique issued last night.

The communique revealed that Oldenburg railway yard and the seaplane base at Borkum were among the objectives attacked.

## CARRYING WAR INTO AXIS CAMP

Carrying the air war into Axis camps throughout the Middle East as well as over France, British aircraft yesterday added to their tally 15 Axis machines with the loss of two.

This was only one day's score in the long list of shattering blows which British pilots have struck at the Axis air strength in the Middle East since the beginning of the year.

Strains in the air and on the ground, according to official figures, have resulted in the destruction of 1,453 Axis machines against 60 Imperial aircraft lost.

The enemy losses included 505 Vichy machines of which 210 were accounted for in June. Yesterday's R.A.F. communique also reported severe damage to Axis shipping, seaplanes and troops in Tripoli Harbour. —Reuter.



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# GEN. WAVELL CHANGES POSTS

## Gen. Auchinleck For Middle East Command

### Member Of War Cabinet For Cairo

GENERAL SIR ARCHIBALD WAVELL IS BEING TRANSFERRED FROM CAIRO TO BECOME COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF, INDIA, AND GENERAL SIR CLAUDE AUCHINLECK IS TAKING OVER THE MIDDLE EAST COMMAND.

This unexpected change in Army commands was revealed in two announcements issued by Mr. Churchill from No. 10, Downing Street, last night, the second of which disclosed the appointment of Mr. Oliver Lyttelton (formerly President of the Board of Trade) to represent the War Cabinet in the Middle East.

"It is understood that these are wartime appointments, the duration of which depends upon the military situation."

The announcement concerning Mr. Lyttelton said: "His Majesty has been pleased to approve the appointment of the Rt. Honourable Oliver Lyttelton to be a Minister of State. Mr. Lyttelton will be a member of the War Cabinet and will represent the War Cabinet in the Middle East, where he will concert of their behalf the measures necessary for the prosecution of the war in that theatre and the conduct of military operations."

#### New Chief

General Sir Claude Auchinleck, the new Commander-in-Chief, Middle East, was in command of the Allied forces which captured Narvik in the Norwegian campaign.

He has a high reputation for highness in outlook and vigour in action. Born in 1884, he became C. in C., India, early this year.

He began his army career in India in 1904 and it was so marked with distinction that he was soon spoken of as a future supreme commander of the Army in India.

An expedition against rebellious North-West Frontier tribesmen which he led in 1936 is regarded as one of the best executed minor campaigns in the history of the North-West Frontier.

He served in Egypt, Aden, Iraq and Southern Kurdistan during the Great War. Before going to India as C. in C. this year, he was G.O.C. in Chief of the Southern Command in England and was in charge of the strengthening of the defences on the southern coast.

#### Wavell And Russia

General Sir Archibald Wavell, regarded by the Germans as Britain's No. 1 general, whose brilliant strategy has met with such outstanding success in North Africa and the Middle East, has had complete authority in the Middle East land operations for 12 months.

A quick thinker, a shrewd judge of men, and a great leader, General Wavell knows Russia as well as he knows Africa. He was in Russia as Military Attache before the Revolution and he has been there several times since. On the last occasion, his despatches home contained high approval of the Red Army's infiltration tactics by parachute.—Reuter.

### BIG DRIVE TO BUILD BOMBERS

AMERICAN PLANE BUILDERS ARE POOLING THEIR RESOURCES TO GIVE UNITED STATES AND BRITAIN AN UNPRECEDENTED FLEET OF LONG RANGE FOUR-ENGINE HEAVY BOMBERS REACHING 500 A MONTH, THE AMERICAN AERONAUTICAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN LOS ANGELES ANNOUNCED YESTERDAY.

Colonel John Jouett, President of the Chamber said that these planes could convey shipping from America to Britain.

The Boeing organisation of Seattle, the Douglas of Santa Monica California, and the Vega of Burbank, California, have agreed on cooperative production of Boeing B-17 bombers.—Reuter.

### FRENCH MISSION TO TURKEY

Ankara Radio announced last night that President Inonu yesterday received M. Benoist Machin, French Minister without Portfolio, who is on a mission to the Turkish capital.

The announcer said that the French Minister was the bearer of a friendly letter from Marshal Petain.

M. Sarajoglu, Turkish Foreign Minister, and the French Charge d'Affaires were present at the interview.—Reuter.

### MAKES NO DIFFERENCE TO U.S.A.

Mr. Sumner Welles, in a press conference in Washington yesterday, said that the formal recognition by Germany and Italy of the Japanese puppet government at Nanking, makes no change whatever in the relations of the United States with China and Japan.—Reuter.

### RUSSIA'S REQUEST OF U.S.

MR. SUMNER WELLES, ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE, DISCLOSED TO-DAY THAT RUSSIA HAD MADE THE FIRST OVERTURES TO THE UNITED STATES FOR SUPPLIES.

M. Oumansky, Soviet Ambassador to Washington, conferred with Mr. Sumner Welles yesterday on the placing of orders for materials for Russia.

Mr. Welles said that the request had been forwarded to other interested government departments but he declined to give details regarding the materials wanted, explaining that the information could not be given as Russia was a belligerent.—Reuter.

#### SOVIET INTERESTS

Italian interests in the Soviet will be attended to by Japan, and Soviet interests in Italy will be attended to by Sweden, says the Swiss Radio quoted by Reuter.

### Wang Returns Thanks

The Axis de jure recognition of the Japanese-sponsored government at Nanking, was officially communicated by cable from Herr Ribbentrop, on behalf of Hitler, and by Count Ciano, on behalf of Mussolini, congratulating "Prime Minister" Wang Ching-wei "on the healthy growth of the new government of China."

Wang Ching-wei described the Axis act as a great contribution to world peace.

He said his Government would strive to create a sphere of prosperity in East Asia in cooperation with Japan and other nations in the Far East as a contribution to a new world order.

Early mutual appointments of Ambassadors is expected.—Reuter.

### MOSCOW APPEAL TO DOCTORS

Among the appeals made by the Moscow radio last night was one for increased numbers of medical men and women to ensure that the great length of the fighting front would have adequate medical provision.

Many women students have already volunteered. Another exhortation was addressed to all Red soldiers to keenly watch for German soldiers wearing Red Army uniforms. They were warned that they were fighting a foe who would try every dastardly trick.—Reuter.

## BRITISH BUDGET POLICY IN A NUTSHELL

THE BRITISH Government's fiscal policy was yesterday put in a nutshell by Sir Kingsley Wood, Chancellor of the Exchequer, speaking on the third reading of the Budget in the House of Commons.

He asked the House to regard the Budget as an integral feature of the Government's economic policy, which finds expression also in the limitation of supplies, concentration of industry, the rationing of food and clothing, and price control.

"The question is not whether we can finance the war, but whether we shall conduct it in the manner calculated to combat inflation and thus avoid the severest of hardships on all classes."

"It is my desire and intention, resolutely to fight against inflation."

"The current rate of taxation has been fixed, but to deal with the inflation gap, we must look to an increase in the rate of genuine savings."

#### Rigid Economy

Sir Kingsley Wood continued: "The policy of genuine savings must be related to rigid economy in private affairs, drastic curtailment of civilian consumption. Every penny saved, and lent to the nation is an extra contribution to victory."

The third reading was adopted without a division.—Reuter.

#### Boost In Revenue

As the Finance Bill passed its third reading, Exchequer returns showed that in the first three months of the financial year, total

revenue amounted to £319,157,988 as compared with £188,169,450 in the corresponding period of last year.


Income tax reached £79,597,999 against £23,299,000, while Excess Profits Tax realised £40,595,000 against £6,660,000.

During the debate, Mr. Pethick Lawrence described the Budget and what the Chancellor had done as "typically British."

"Here we are," he continued, "taking burdens and taxation and conditions existing which were unimaginable a few years back, not with gloom and despair but with a smile and a welcome to the Chancellor who is castigating us in this violent manner."

Replying to the debate, the Chancellor of the Exchequer said that looking back on the budget he could not help feeling astonishment at the manner in which the burdens imposed had been accepted.

His object had been to deal fairly with the community in sharing the burden of taxation. It was probably the realisation of that fact which accounted for the general acceptance.—British Wireless.



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# GENERAL CATROUX'S OFFER TO ARABS OF DAMASCUS

THE SYRIAN GOVERNMENT has published a letter from General Catroux, leader of the Free French forces in Syria, addressed to the Syrian Prime Minister, which confirms the results reached during the discussions on the different aspects of Syria's independence.

According to the war correspondent in Syria, of Free French Headquarters, the outstanding points of Catroux's letter were that a treaty will be signed on a basis of equality guaranteeing the sovereignty and independence of Syria, and defining the basis and conditions of Franco-Syrian collaboration.

General Catroux's letter undertakes that the Syrian people will have the freedom to frame their constitution according to their own desires, and to that end will call the men they think best to manage national interests and meet the nation's desires.

Free France is naturally anxious to hasten the attainment of this end as soon as the whole of the French territories actually in the Levant have been delivered from the mandate regime by Allied occupation of the whole country.

General Catroux asks that he be permitted to govern for the time being with the same authority and rights which were possessed by your government on June 20, 1941.

Such a mission would end as soon as the whole of Syria has been occupied by the Allies. — Reuter.

## BOMBING OF FRENCH FACTORIES

"OUR FRENCH PEOPLE WORKING IN FACTORIES ARE NOT THE LEAST ANGRY WITH THE R.A.F. BOMBING THE PLANTS—THEY REALLY INVITE IT AND HOPE TO SEE THE BLOCKADE CONTINUED," SAID M. HENRI HAUCK, LABOUR ADVISER TO GENERAL DE GAULLE, SPEAKING AT SHEFFIELD YESTERDAY.

M. Hauck explained that these people had to work for the Germans, but inwardly felt that they would rather starve now and be free later than starve for the rest of their lives.

Though France seemed to be out of the war, she has a better Fifth Column than Hitler's; "underground activities" were growing daily and sabotage is being carried out in factories. — Reuter.

## SPEED-UP ON N.Z. WATERFRONT

Adoption of three shifts daily on New Zealand's waterfronts has resulted in a 25% speed-up in the handling of ships carrying produce to England, stated Mr. Nash, acting Prime Minister, in a speech in Wellington yesterday.

Mr. Nash emphasised the need for increased cheese production to reach the goal of 160,000 tons for Britain during the coming season. The change-over from butter production to cheese-making was costing the Government £380,000 for one season. — Reuter.

## RETURN TO ANKARA

The Soviet Ambassador to Turkey, M. Vinogradov, returned to Ankara yesterday by air from Moscow. — Reuter.

## BOMBAY HIT BY GALE

AN UNPRECEDENTED BREAKDOWN OF TELEGRAPHIC AND TELEPHONIC COMMUNICATION BETWEEN BOMBAY AND ALL THE PRINCIPAL CITIES OF INDIA, AND THE ALMOST COMPLETE PARALYSIS OF RAIL TRAFFIC FROM BOMBAY, FOLLOWED THE HEAVY RAINFALL EXPERIENCED BY BOMBAY AND THE SURROUNDING AREAS DURING THE PRESENT MONSOON.

Rain which fell for 36 hours was accompanied by cyclonic conditions.

Over 15 inches of rain fell in Western Ghats, near Bombay, resulting in heavy floods near one of Bombay's suburban junctions from which all rail traffic branches off throughout India. This caused breaches at two points and there was considerable dislocation of traffic.

Bombay's terminus was crowded with passengers whose trains have been cancelled. — Reuter.

## SIEGE OF PALMYRA

"The situation in Palmyra is considered satisfactory," declared military circles in Cairo last night. It was revealed that the light British investing forces which completed the encirclement of the town on Monday were "now being reinforced." — Reuter.

## ALLIED AID IN SYRIA

A sharp drop in the cost of living is following the Allies wherever they penetrate in Syria.

Prompt arrival of food supplies from Palestine, notably wheat, sugar and rice, caused a drop in prices to a vastly lower level than that prevailing previously when there was an acute shortage, particularly in the Damascus area.

The position in Damascus was so bad that only one day's supply of wheat remained when the Allies entered the city but supplies were rushed up within 24 hours.

In the occupied coastal areas, stocks of benzine and kerosene, which were commandeered by the Vichy authorities, prior to the withdrawal, were quickly replenished from Palestine.

Extensive arrangements are being organised for further relief. — Reuter.

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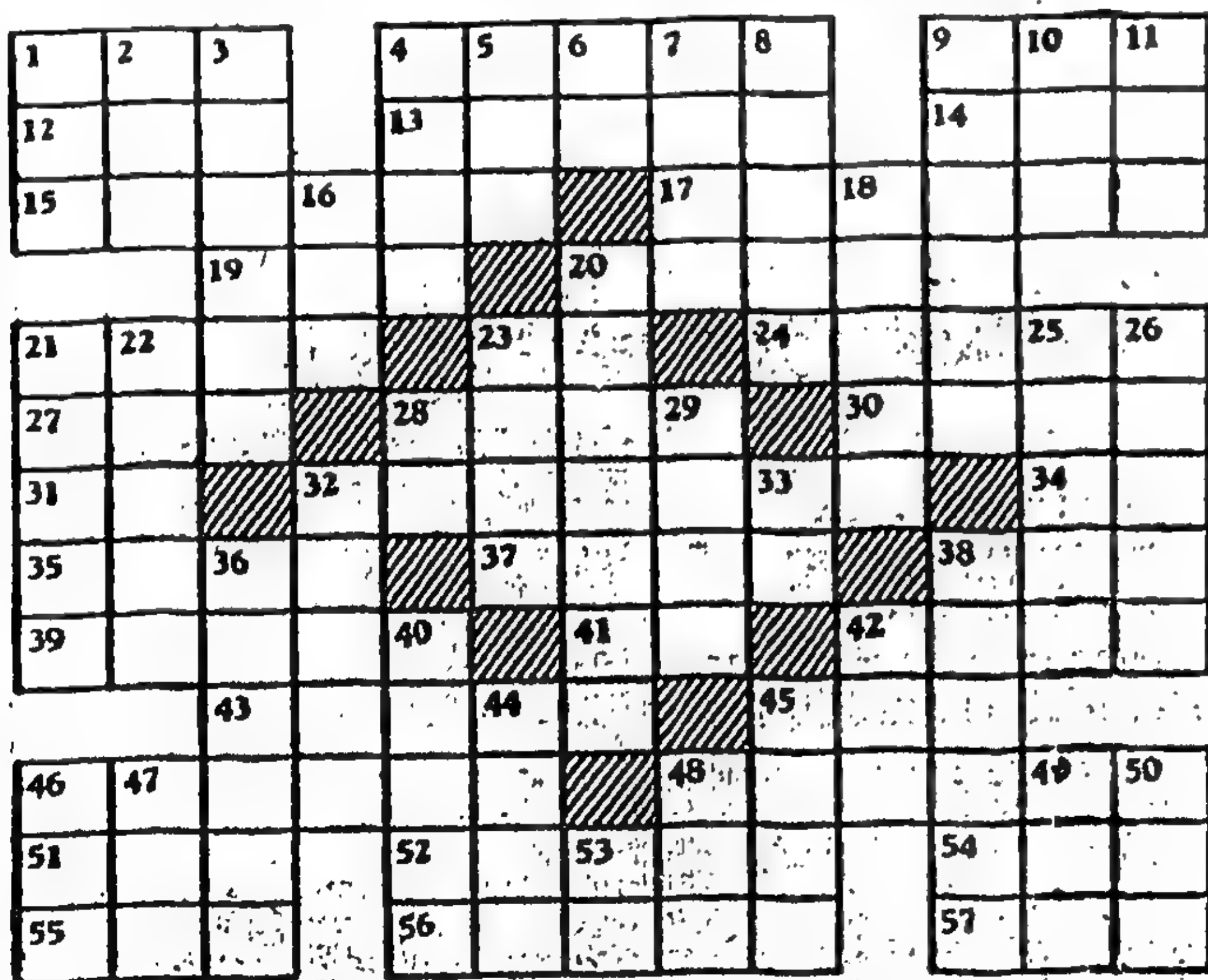
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These were the words of Sir Akbar Hydari, President of the Council of the Nizam's Government, when he opened an exhibition at Deccan of a Nazi fighter plane brought down by the Hyderabad squadron.

Sir Hydari said: "Never in our history have we been closer to danger such as that which now threatens our most cherished ideals and inspirations." He added: "Each man who subscribes and each man who offers himself for military duty or for work in the factories is a contribution towards the defence of our Motherland. It is also an assurance of the future. It will not only

help to defeat the enemy outside our gates but will be a gain for our men, will strengthen our sinews and reconstruct and expand industries. It will show the people of Britain and the world that in the war against treachery we have honoured our sovereign's pledge of more than 108 years ago and proved the value of our faithful alliance."—Reuter.

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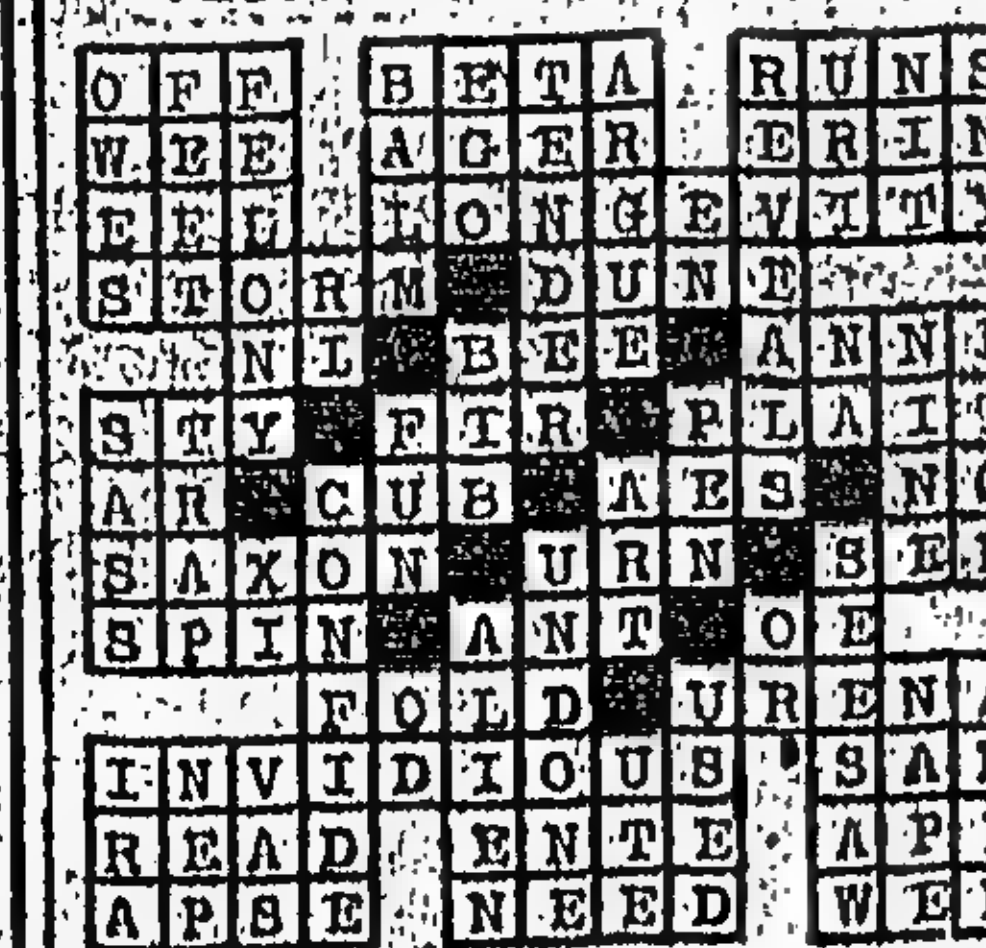
### HORIZONTAL

- 1 To recede
- 4 To begin
- 9 Social insect
- 12 Tibetan gazelle
- 13 Coniferous tree
- 14 Crude metal
- 15 Liquid measure
- 17 Code of ceremonies
- 19 Front of a ship
- 20 To hinder
- 21 To change
- 23 Mixed type
- 24 To follow
- 27 Exclamation of triumph
- 28 Mistake
- 30 Transmitted
- 31 To exist
- 32 Prisoner
- 34 Roman gods
- 35 Killer whale
- 37 Certain
- 38 Favourite
- 39 Rends
- 41 Note of scale
- 42 Golfer's cry
- 43 Son of Isaac
- 44 The sun

### VERTICAL

- 1 Ovum
- 2 Large snake
- 3 Discoverer of the Pacific
- 4 Flat-bottomed boat
- 5 Numeral
- 6 Paid notice
- 7 Uncommon
- 8 Stale

### YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



## NAZI SEAMEN PRISONERS LANDED

According to agency messages, more than 200 Nazi sailors captured in the Atlantic were landed at a British port early yesterday.

The prisoners are believed to be survivors of the supply ships which attended the Bismarck. — British Wireless.

## NEW BOMBERS' EXTRA SPEED

Greater hitting power will be developed by some of the R.A.F.'s new heavy bombers on account of their extra speed. Some of the aircraft mentioned by Lord Beaverbrook, Minister of Aircraft Production, in the House of Lords recently, will be the first large-size machines to demonstrate this value of speed.

One of them is a good deal faster than a comparable type which has been in service since the beginning of the war. This increase in speed gives a squadron the opportunity to sustain an attack on the most distant targets far longer.

Even at short ranges, the improved speed of the new machines will be of assistance, and will sometimes allow individual aircraft to make two sorties on the same night. For evading enemy fighter aircraft, speed is a more obvious advantage.

## STEAM LAUNCH SUNK

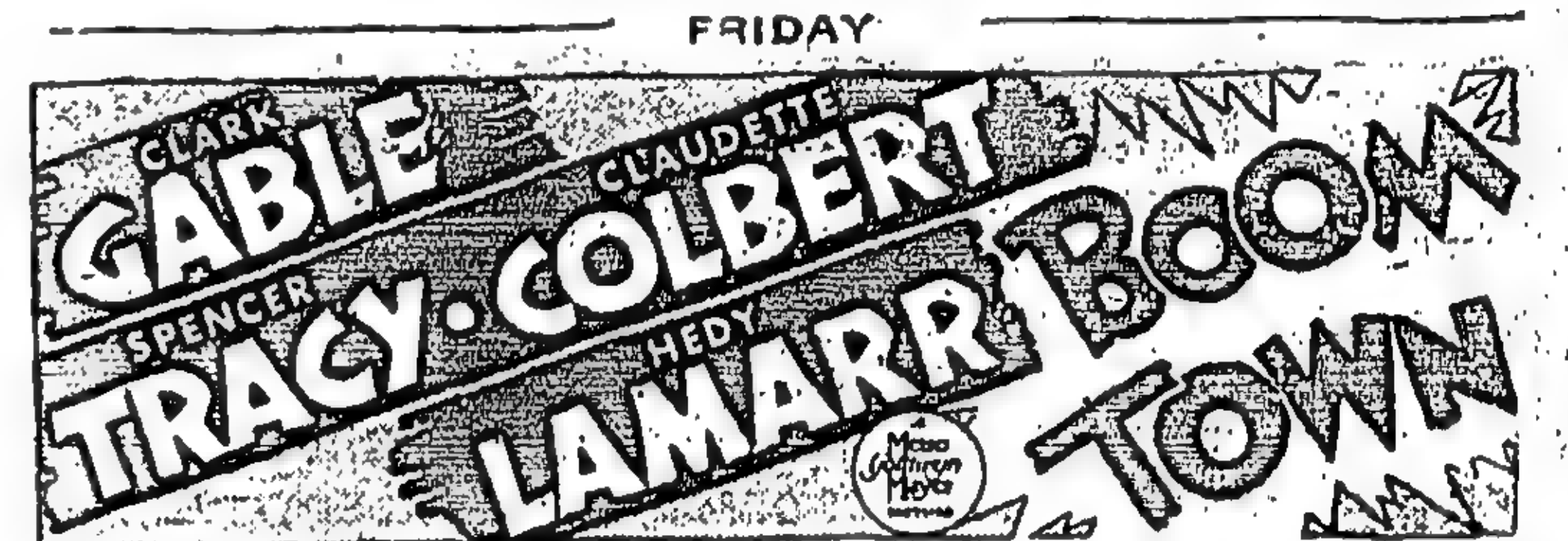
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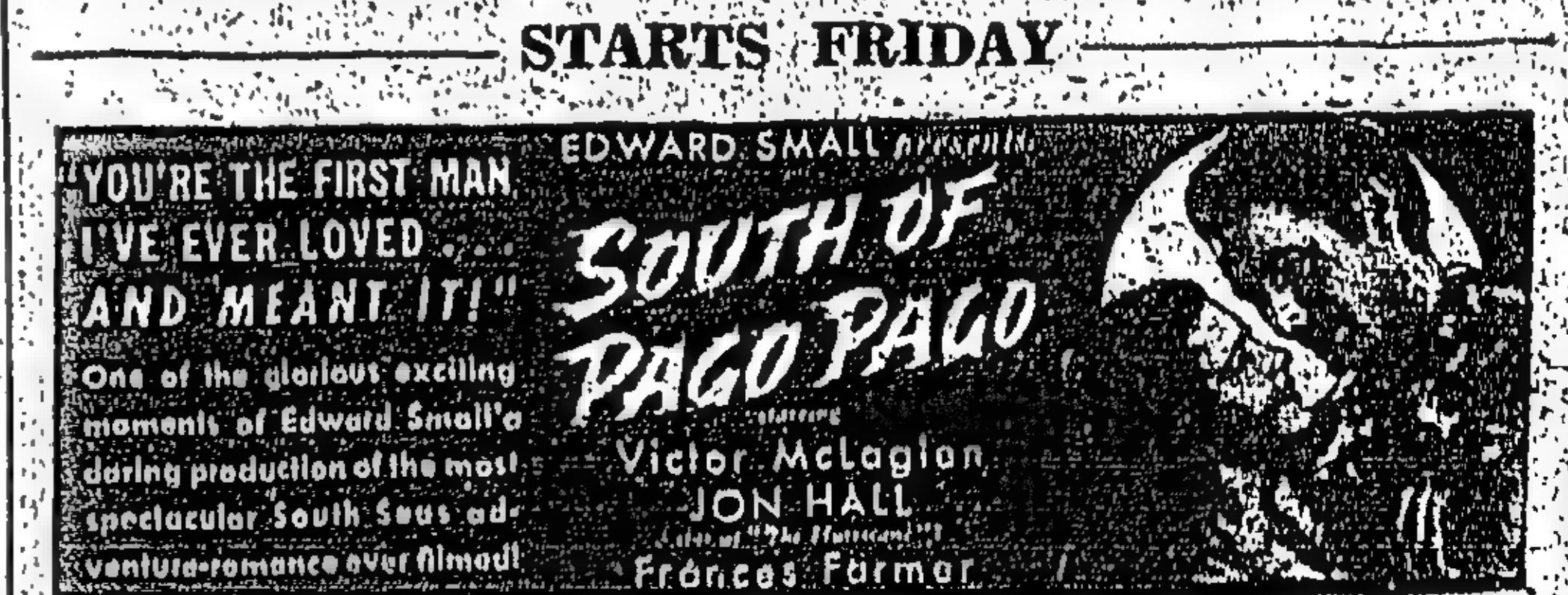
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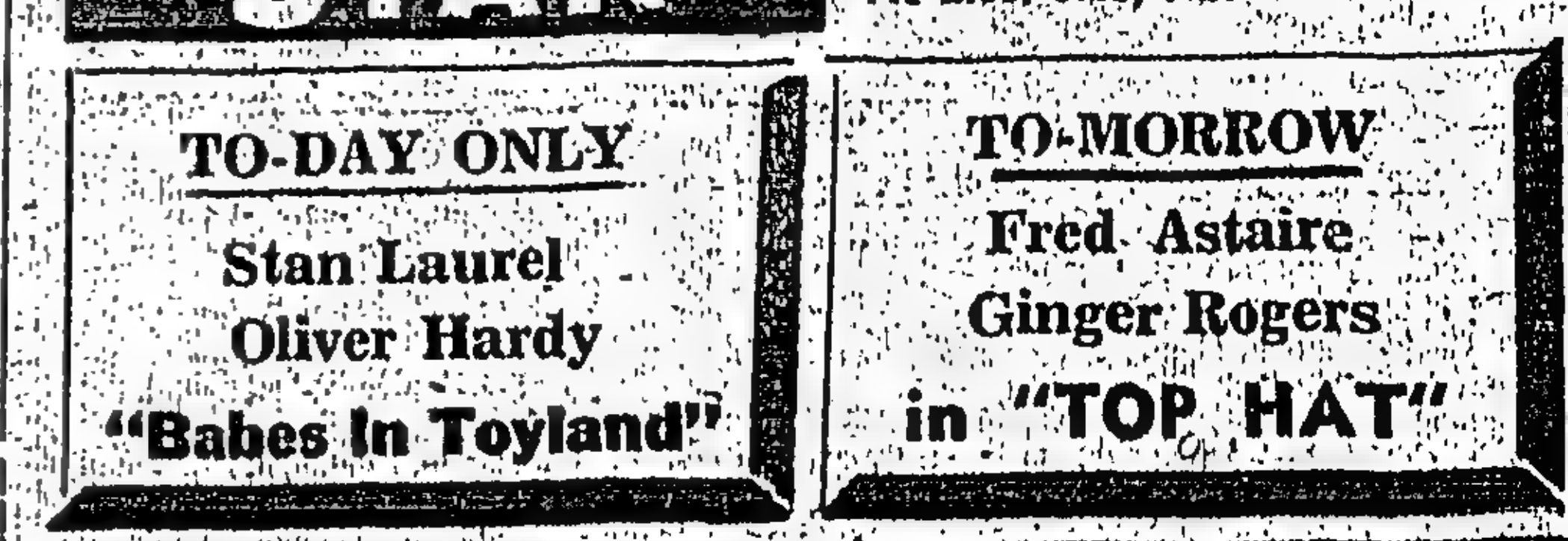


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# PARACHUTISTS USED IN BIG MOCK BATTLE

PARACHUTE TROOPS played a notable part in the surprise tactics characterising a four-day mock battle which has just recently ended, and in which 40,000 of Britain's finest troops, operating over hundreds of miles of Southern England, demonstrated the Army's fitness to undertake any task.

After this great military exercise had been reviewed, it was discovered that, as so often happens in war, a minor incident in the first hour of battle gave one side a big advantage. This was the capture of a motor-cycle despatch rider.

Driving through darkness and rain the rider missed a turning and fell into "enemy" hands. When interrogated, he was noticed to be fumbling in his pockets, from which scores of pieces of torn and crumpled paper were taken.

For seven hours through the night Intelligence officers worked on the jigsaw puzzle of those scraps until the secret was laid bare.

Pieced together, the jigsaw proved to be the complete details, with map, of the defending forces' plans and tactics.

There was one moment of reality in this mimic warfare. A plane appeared through a cloud gap and a stream of machine-gun bullets tore the earth.

A German, cloud-hopping, had strayed into the area, and for a couple of seconds real bullets flew until the enemy scurried for home.

## Soldiers Tough

Afterwards the corps commander summed up the lessons of the battle:

"To beat Germany we must have hardened soldiers, able to fight whatever the weather or conditions. My men have been going for nearly a week and have done well; they are tough.

"The element of surprise is of the utmost importance. Individual initiative has been good."

To distinguish between the two armies one side wore steel helmets and the other cloth caps.

The Parachutists were used by the "tin hats." At a critical moment twin-engined planes appeared and in a few seconds the "paratroops" were on the ground. They cast off their parachutes and vanished into the countryside.

An officer who, incidentally, had nothing to do with it at all found himself confronted by three burly "paratroops." There was a quick blow with a fist, and the parachutists were driving his car away.

Telephone lines were cut and explosions rang out as this new branch of Britain's armed forces got to work.

## SAVING SPACE IN SHIPS

Carcasses of mutton and lamb sent to Britain from overseas are "telescoped" to save shipping space. Major Lloyd George, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Food, stated in a written Parliamentary answer.

This method of using the space within the carcasses and of filling the refrigerators of the ships to capacity has been in operation since the early days of the war. Major Lloyd George also disclosed that the entire boning-out capacity of the packing plants in the South American meat producing countries and the Dominions is now being used, another means of saving shipping space. Large purchases of canned beef had also been made.

## BRITISH 'SURPRISE' FOR NAZI FLIERS

Ronald Tree, Parliamentary Secretary for the British Ministry of Information, said on his return from the United States, "We have a surprise for the Germans which will further their already increasing difficulties in flying over England."

"Before long," Mr. Tree continued, "most of their bombers which dare to fly over England will not be able to return home."

He declined to specify what the "surprise" is.

Mr. Tree, who spent six weeks in the United States, said there would be 4,000,000 tons of American shipping available for British use by 1942 and "swarms of American planes would be in action before next spring."

## REPARATION DEMAND

The United States are demanding one million dollars, reparation for the recent sinking of the American ship Robin Moor by a German submarine, according to a Washington telegram to the "Journal-American."

Senator Walsh is asking Senator Knox to answer the charges made by Senator Wheeler that the United States is sinking submarines, say the same correspondent.—Reuter.

## EVIDENCE OF BRITISH STRENGTH

Reviewing the events of June in the Mediterranean area, the well-known Swedish military expert, Colonel Bratt, singles out General Wavell's simultaneous mechanised attack in Cyrenaica and the offensive in Syria.

The Colonel says that it must be admitted that it was highly original thus to strike in two directions at once; this is evidence of British strength.—Reuter.

## M.P.S AND SEA WAR

A background talk on the war at sea was given to the 1922 Committee of Conservative M.P.s. at the House of Commons recently, by Mr. Francis McMurtrie, the Naval Correspondent of "The Daily Telegraph." His talk dealt with the naval position and the prospects for the coming months in the Atlantic, the Mediterranean, and the Far East.

## SWEDISH AID TO FINLAND

Sweden having decided not to raise a volunteer force for the war against Soviet Russia, Swedish volunteers will be attached to the Finnish formations, states the Finnish radio.—Reuter.

## 'SAT. EVE. POST' TO DROP ITS ISOLATIONIST POLICY

Walter D. Fuller, president of the National Association of Manufacturers and of the Curtis Publishing Company, said in an interview:

"I have been consistently an isolationist. So has the Saturday Evening Post—although that policy will change next week.

"But we are in war now. We are like a man who has jumped off a springboard and has not yet touched the water. He isn't wet, but he hasn't a chance of getting back on the springboard again."

## NEW G.O.C. FOR HONG KONG

It is announced from Command H.Q. that for some time past Major-General A. E. Grasett, C.B., D.S.O., M.C., has been required for an appointment in the United Kingdom and arrangements have just been completed for his relief by Major-General C. M. Maltby, M.C.

Major-General Maltby has had long experience both in Command and on the Staff in India and elsewhere and is at present commanding an important division in India.

Major-General Maltby will be arriving in Hong Kong in the near future.

## BULGARIAN WATERS MINED

The Bulgarian Army Command announced yesterday that Bulgarian territorial waters on the Black Sea will be mined to-day at noon, according to the official German News Agency in Berlin.

Foreign vessels will be able to use the territorial waters until 6 a.m. to-day, after which permission to enter these waters must be obtained 12 hours in advance.—Reuter.

## MAHRATTA L.I.'S ACHIEVEMENTS

THE FIFTH MAHRATTA LIGHT INFANTRY TOOK A PROMINENT PART IN THE FIGHTING IN ERITREA, PARTICULARLY AT K E R E N, STATES A PRESS NOTE, ISSUED IN SIMLA YESTERDAY.

At Ummhaagar, they participated in a little campaign all on their own following up a retreating garrison and capturing prisoners and equipment.

Up to date the regiment has received one Bar to the D.S.O., one D.S.O., four M.C.'s, five I.O.M.'s, and two I.D.S.M.'s.—Reuter.



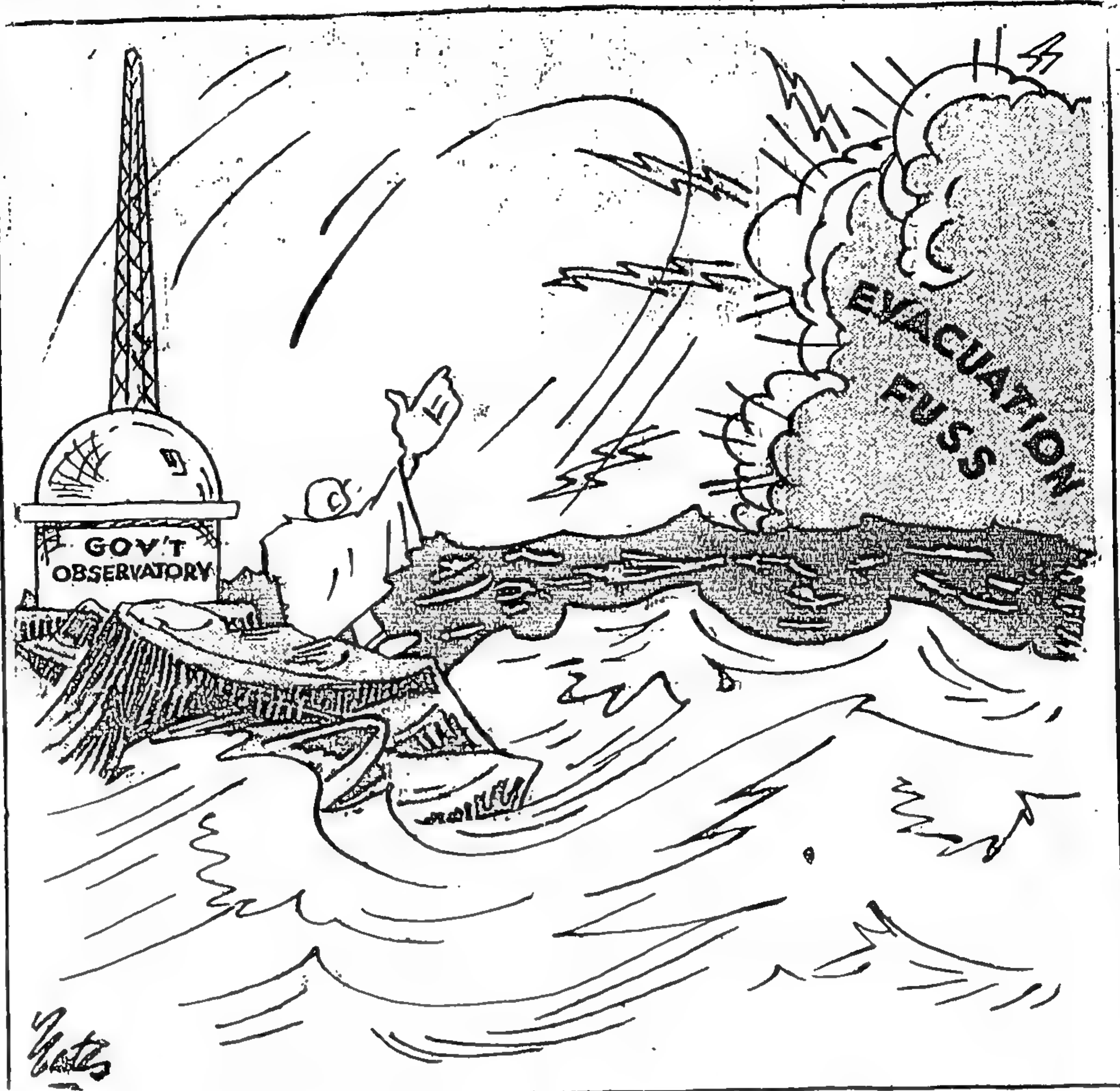
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## AMERICAN REACTIONS

The German invasion of Russia, and the possible appearance of Hitler's hordes on the Bering Sea is being watched with great anxiety in the United States. The attack renders more acute the dangers to the Western Hemisphere which American strategists have always feared. In event of a Hitler success, nothing is more likely than the entry of Spain, active or passive, on the Axis side which would put her Atlantic possessions at the disposal of the Nazis for the extension of the Battle of the Atlantic. With the increasing supineness of Vichy the offensive use of Dakar and Casablanca becomes another possibility. The physical threat to the United States looms larger.

There is, too, the danger on the East and the possibility that, should Hitler's gains become big enough, Japan would be encouraged to embroil herself in a piratical descent on the East Indies or upon the Maritime Provinces of Siberia. The American reaction to the Russo-Japanese pact has been shrewd and sceptical. It is this kind of broad consideration that led President Roosevelt to declare so sombrely the other day that the American public does not yet appreciate the extreme seriousness of the war and its implications concerning life in the United States. At the same time American commentators are almost unanimous in reporting that the people are ripe for a new decisive exercise of leadership. The recent setbacks to Britain in the Mediterranean have bewildered them. They are angry at the Nazi advances; they want American aid to be more prompt and sure, but they are also rather more open to isolationist and appeasement influence. Any setback to Britain is food for the Lindberghs and Wheelers, who are always saying that the battle is already won and all that remains is to retire behind American barriers. But again the commentators agree that the President, with his immense sagacity, will at the proper time resolve latent doubts and disquiets and canalise the mass feeling of Americans in decisive action.

At the moment, the



"STATIONARY OR VERY SLOW."

## The Lesson Of The Occupied Countries

Recently, for two days the House of Commons debated the conduct of the war. Exactly a year before it had and a two-day debate on the same subject. In each case the majority of the speeches were critical.

But there was this all-important difference. A year ago, members wanted the Prime Minister — Mr. Chamberlain — to go; now every member wants the Prime Minister — Mr. Churchill — to stay! There is a certain amount of disquiet, as is inevitable, because the war faces us every day with new problems and there must be a time-lag between their appearance and their solution. In foreign policy there is a reluctance to adopt ruthless methods, and to coordinate diplomacy with propaganda. In home policy there is a reluctance to break down the barriers between local and national government — barriers similar on their smaller scale, to those which exist in the United States between state and federal legislatures, and which so hampered the war against the earlier and lesser gangsters of Chicago.

But a few hours before we met in the House of Commons, the Nazi deputies had met in the Reichstag. We criticised, with moderation and probably with effect, the Nazis' clicked

situation on the Russian front is difficult to assess with certainty, but that is favourable in itself inasmuch as it demonstrates clearly that Germany is not by any means having things all her own way. In any case, there is no reason for the United States to mark time. For her, as for us, the respite in the Western Theatre, is no time for sitting back on our heels in contemplative study. It should serve as an inspiration to press our own efforts to the limit of our resources.

their heels and shouted "Heil." The advantage of the latter system is obvious in the earlier stages of a war, but as war-weariness grows there must surely be a handicap in the ability of the general public to ventilate its grievances?

And how much the ordinary humble little man will have to do with the winning of the war is illustrated by the history of the slave states in the twelve months that have elapsed since the first "neutrals", Denmark and Norway, were invaded because they were geographically a nuisance to Hitler.

Take, for example, the case of the Dutch. I choose them because in so many ways they had points in common with the Germans and

By Vernon  
Bartlett

because Nazi leaders had always referred to them as fellow Nordics; worthy to be treated more or less as equals. Even after the invasion and the ruthless, unforgettable bombardment of Rotterdam, Holland was promised that her customs and institutions would be respected. But within a few months her Parliament was closed down, the country was so denuded of its great wealth that Amsterdam had to go back to horse-drawn tramcars, a rigid curfew was imposed between 10 p.m. and 4 a.m., and in many other ways the slavery has become obvious and obnoxious.

Almost more hated than the physical restrictions are the restrictions on freedom of the expression of thought. There had been no religious or racial intolerance in Holland since the Spaniards were driven out in 1568 — after a struggle by the people against military might which has few parallels in history, but may find another parallel when Nazi rule begins to crack.

Now the Dutch must impose the foul anti-Semitic regulations brought across the frontier by the Gestapo.

In the seventeenth century books of every kind were printed in Holland because there could be found a freedom of expression there which was denied in neighbouring states. Now there is that horrible persecution of thought which must sooner or later lead to the collapse of Hitler's "new order."

And these quiet sober-minded Dutch, like the people in all the other slave states, are developing the spirit of revolt. Probably you know—but possibly you do not—of the various ruses adopted to remind the Germans that they are hated invaders. When German officers came into a cafe all the Dutch at neighbouring tables called for their checks and left. When the German authorities decreed that nobody must leave for a quarter of an hour after the arrival of a German soldier, all Dutch customers placed their watches on the table and left the moment the quarter of an hour had elapsed.

Years ago, the Nazis in Austria made ridiculous the ban on uniforms imposed by the governments of Dollfuss and Schuschnigg by appearing in top hats or white stockings. The Dutch learned the lesson and are angering their masters by wearing flowers or ribbons which are in some way reminiscent of the House of Orange and their exiled Queen.

Mr. Eden tells of two British prisoners of war who escaped from East Prussia through Poland, Hungary, and Yugoslavia to Greece. They could speak no word of any language but English and yet everywhere they were helped on their way as friends. Mr. Churchill has promised besides blood, sweat, toll and tears "our fair share of mistakes, shortcomings and disappointment." We know that some neutral governments, if not neutral peoples, have succumbed to the temptation to go on the side with the big battalions. But the Prime Minister, who has never sought to disguise unpleasant truths, commands support in Parliament and in the country such as Hitler himself will never win by false promises and misleading lies.

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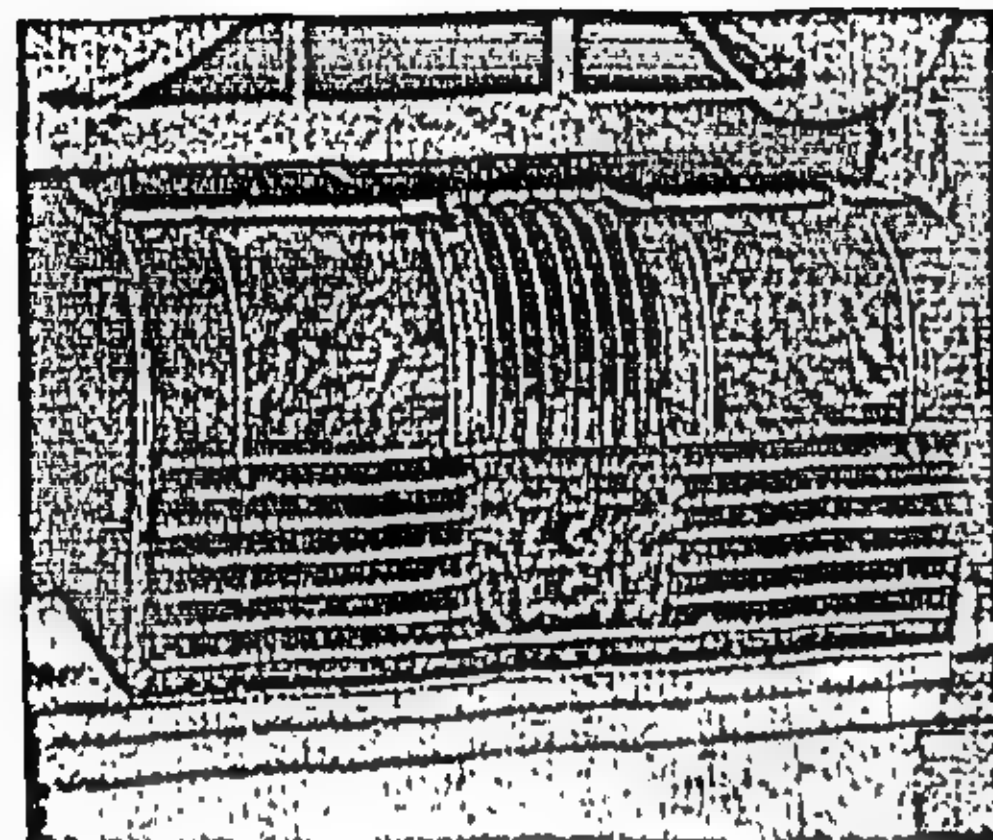
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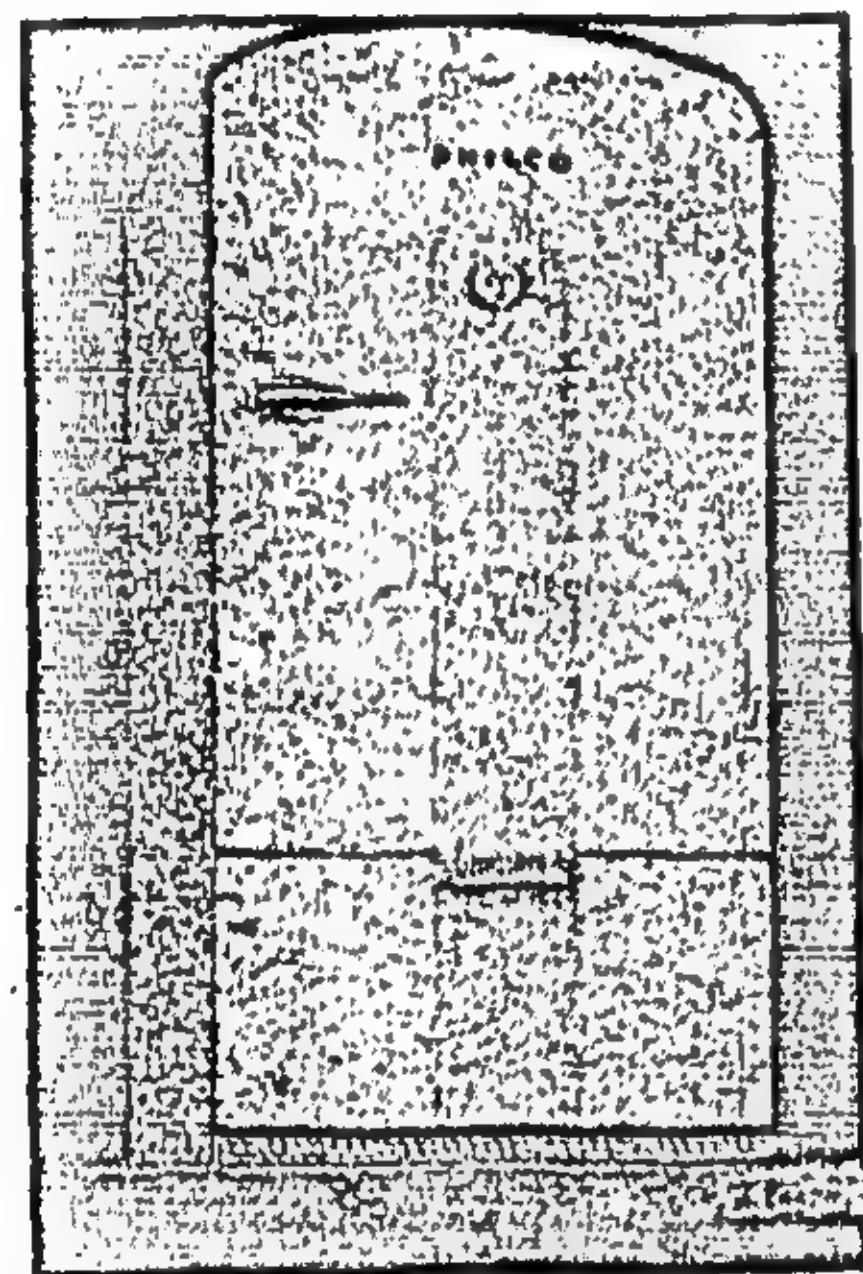
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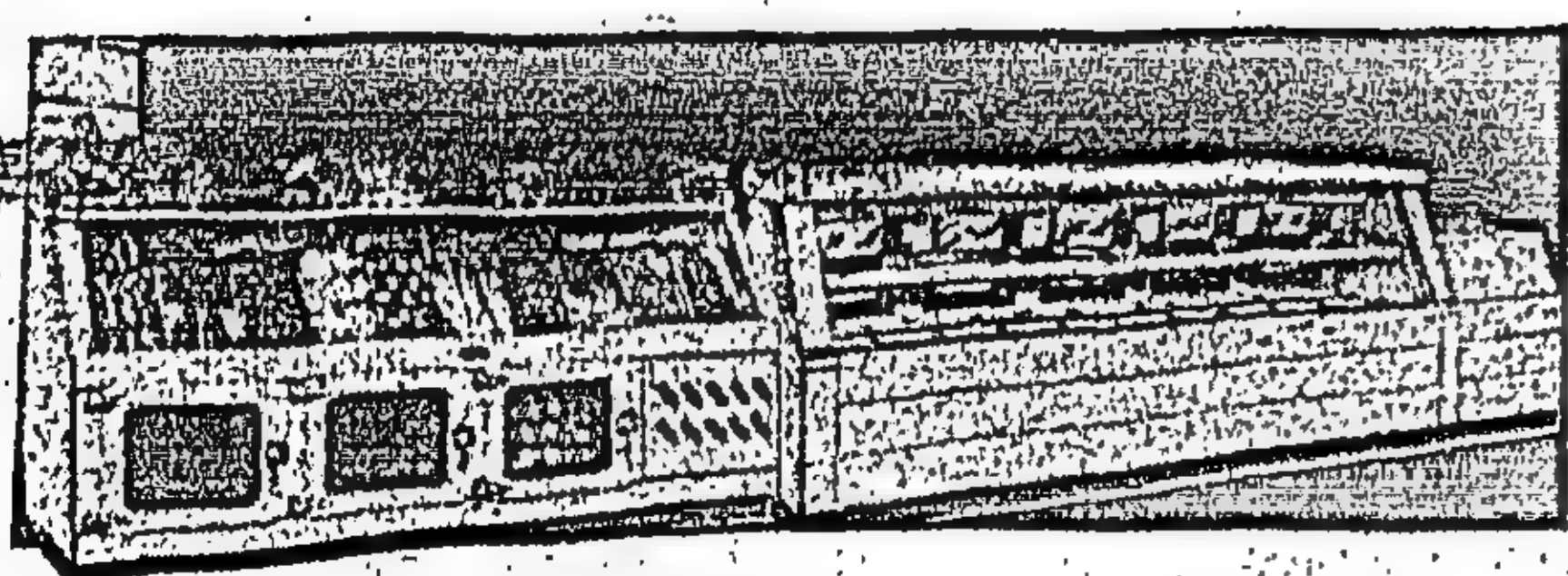
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# FRENCH FEAR NAZI MOVE INTO TUNISIA

PERSISTENT AND heavy late rains throughout Morocco are having a disastrous effect on the crops, but the food situation is naturally not yet affected. Morocco is still the granary of North Africa.

Government and private stocking is causing an acute shortage of certain articles. Practically only natives can obtain sugar, and saccharine is served everywhere.

Prices are kept low. A fair meal can be obtained in Rabat or Casablanca for about a shilling.

There seems to be no large reserves of either petrol or aviation spirit. No more petrol is to be allowed to private users after this month, and already generals in full uniform can be seen riding bicycles in Rabat.

Despite the nervous timidity of local authorities and the adverse influence of reverses in Libya, not only do the majority of people desire a German defeat, but the realisation is slowly spreading that the Anglo-American combination is unbeatable.

### French Fears Grow

A belief is growing in informed circles in French Morocco that whatever happens in Egypt the Germans will turn westwards towards Tunisia and French North Africa.

French fears are thus increased, and general feeling of helplessness is deepened as the fundamental nature of American support for Britain becomes more evident every day.

French military and civil authorities express friendly feelings towards Britain even to neutral observers, but the French navy is consistently hostile, and naval influence is paramount in Vichy.

No considerable section of Frenchmen, except naval officers and those who sold their careers to Germany, want or expect a Nazi victory.

## DONEGALL'S CURRENCY ERROR

The Marquess of Donegall, of Westminster Gardens, Marsham Street, S.W., was at Bow Street recently fined £180, with £20 costs, for failing to do everything necessary to assign to the Treasury a right to receive \$489 (£120) outside the United Kingdom.

Mr. H. A. K. Morgan, prosecuting, said that following correspondence with the Marquess, Lord Donegall wrote to say that he had received a cable from his bankers in New York mentioning a cheque of his for \$400 cashed by Viscountess Furbess. Instead of arranging for the Treasury to have the use of these dollars, Lord Donegall arranged for Lady Furbess to use them. His New York account was then \$489 in credit.

The magistrate, Mr. McKenna, said that Lord Donegall had pleaded that this was a matter of bona fide misjudgment. Mr. McKenna did not take the view that it was one of the more serious class of case.

### 3 WHO SHOT DOWN 24

Three R.A.F. sergeants, who between them have destroyed more than 24 German planes, were honoured by the King at a recent Investiture.

Sgt. D. McKay, D.F.M. and Bar, shot down 12 planes himself, and with four other fighter pilot destroyed a 13th. Sgt. E. Thorn and Sgt. F. Barker—Bar to the D.F.M. each shot down from a Defiant 12 planes in one afternoon.

## M.P.S ATTACK SPAIN LOAN

Fears that our loan of more than £2,000,000 to Spain would go straight to the Germans were expressed in the Commons recently by Mr. J. C. Wedgwood (Soc., Newcastle-under-Lyme).

Mr. Churchill, stating that the agreement for the loan would be laid as a White Paper, said it would not be wise to debate the agreement just now, certainly not in public.

Mr. Wedgwood also suggested that Sir Samuel Hoare was "a little too expensive" as Ambassador to Spain.

The Premier said many people thought in July last year that Spain would enter the war against us, and it was largely due to Sir Samuel Hoare that our relations had tended to improve at this critical time.

Mr. Aneurin Bevan (Soc., Ebbw Vale) said there was unrest about the money among the public, who could see no signs of gratitude.

### "No Gratitude"

"We do not wish to give any excuse for a breach at present between us and the Spanish Government."

Mr. Churchill said this policy had been most carefully considered, and the state of our affairs in every part of the world did not allow matters of this kind to be handled in a rough or reckless or debonair fashion. He added:

"We consider that the starving condition of the people of Spain fully justifies assistance being given by Great Britain, and the United States if they choose so to act, irrespective of whether any expressions of gratitude are forthcoming or not."

## HOMELESS TO LIVE IN PARK LANE FLATS

A block of flats in Park Lane will be ready shortly to house people who have lost their homes as a result of air raids.

Westminster City Council have taken over the building and are adapting and furnishing it for these temporary tenants. Air-raid victims who are sent there will be able to stay until suitable alternative accommodation can be offered to them.

The building, which will accommodate 200, will be run on the lines of a hostel, with cafeteria meals, which the tenants will be able to buy at cost.

The people accommodated will be expected to help with the cleaning. Tenants can sleep in a basement shelter in the event of raids, and there is a first-aid post in the building.

One floor will be given up to mothers and babies, and in addition there will be nurseries for the use of small children.

The scheme is being undertaken for the City Council by Women's Voluntary Services.

## PREMIER'S PLEDGE TO M.P.S.

Mr. Winston Churchill received a great ovation from back-bench Conservative M.P.s when he was entertained at lunch in London recently by the 1922 Committee. About 150 members were present.

The Prime Minister's declaration, during his speech, that "we shall let no party surpass us in the sacrifices we make," was loudly cheered.

## 1500 MAD TEACHERS

Fifteen hundred New York school teachers are definitely crazy, according to Dr. Emil Altman, formerly chief medical examiner in the city's schools.

Dr. Altman insists that a total of 4,500 teachers require psychiatric or other treatment, cables John Walters from New York. Not all of these are unstable enough for asylums, but they are dangerously unsuitable instructors and should be removed.

Here are some stories of New York classroom insanity given by Dr. Altman in an article in the "American Mercury."

A middle-aged teacher, of Amazonian proportions, accused the school caretaker of sending up ether fumes through the radiator pipes to suffocate her.

### Asylum "Vacation"

One teacher would teach several months, then go away on her "vacation" to an asylum.

Another told her pupils everything in the classroom was charged with electricity, and she could pull a switch to kill them all if they misbehaved.

She sent shivers down the children's spines with realistic horror stories of poison gas floating in the room and several became acutely ill.

One woman insisted on teaching that two plus two equal five. Questioned on the point she demanded: "What would you do if people kept hammering at your head all the time?"

## STOLE TO CATCH SOLDIERS' EYES

The advent of soldiers into village life and the desire of two girls to look attractive in their eyes were said at Bridgwater, Somerset, recently to be responsible for the theft of two coats.

A solicitor said the girls were on the verge of womanhood, and with the tempo of village life speeded up their desire to look attractive was natural and in a certain type of girl irresistible.

The probation officer could tell the Bench in their retiring room something that he could not tell them in open court.

Without hearing the probation officer the Bench bound over the girls, Dulcia Anne Palmer, 17, of Nether Stowey, and Hilda Rose Mary Sellick, 10½, of Castle Hill, Over Stowey, for two years in 2s.



# CHINESE PUPPET TROOPS THORN TO JAPAN

POLITICAL AND FINANCIAL PUPPETS OF THE JAPANESE IN CHINA HAVE WON A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF PUBLICITY.

But very little has been said, on the contrary, about the military puppets, those Chinese troops who carry arms under the eyes of Japanese "advisers" and are actually engaged in one way or another in fighting against their countrymen in the detachments under the supreme command of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek.

One reason, and probably the most important, is that there are not enough of them to make any great difference in the fighting going on in China. A second is that the Japanese do not trust them to any great extent, having had the painful experience of seeing a good many of them "desert" General Chiang, secure clothing, food and weapons from the Japanese and then "desert" again to Chiang's forces.

Consequently they are reluctant to give them any important stock of supplies and are further reluctant to give them any very important assignments. By and large they are used, where used at all, for relatively minor garrisoning and policing duties in areas pretty well under the Japanese thumb.

## Estimates Difficult

According to Co. Y. Iwasaki, head of the Japanese Army Press Bureau, there are approximately 400,000 puppet troops in North Central and South China ("puppet" is not the colonel's word for them, naturally). Such an estimate is probably too large but it would be difficult to arrive at any satisfactory figure since even few Japanese themselves know much about the puppet contingents. It's undoubtedly true, however, that there are not any in the south, some in Central China between the Yangtze and Yellow Rivers and the bulk in the north.

The central and northern armies are separate entities, following in that respect the Japanese practice which is unique among modern armies in granting tremendous autonomy to separate geographical army commanders with the final decision from a central general staff often more honoured in the breach than the observance. Actually the Japanese in North China have very little contact with those in Central China and there's considerable bad blood between the two groups.

The northern army of puppets is known as the North China Pacification Army and owes its allegiance to the Chinese puppet regime in Peiping, headed by Wang I-tang. The central troops, who are under the banner of Wang Ching-wei, are known as the Peace and National Salvation Army. They have no single command and there is little if any co-operation between them.

## Northern Make-Up

The main northern army is composed in turn of three separate armies, the first garrisoning northern Hopei, the second being stationed in Shantung and the third being assigned to the larger towns and cities such as Peiping, Tientsin, Tsinan and Paoting.

This latter group is considered by the Japanese the best of the puppet forces and after a year's training was sent out Red-chasing. According to a Japanese newspaper in Peiping it has taken part in 60 engagements and has taken 75 prisoners and killed 150 enemy soldiers, probably a fair estimate of its prowess.

According to the same newspaper, reported by the "North China Daily News," the Nanking (or "Peace" and "National Salvation") Army is a creature of Japanese political intrigue, originated and abandoned by the famed Maj.-Gen. Kenji Doihara, Japan's "Lawrence of Asia."

## LOCAL OFFICERS HONOURED

The following awards on the occasion of the Birthday of His Majesty The King were notified in the "London Gazette" yesterday:—

To be a Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire: Brigadier J. T. W. Reeve, D.S.O., Commander, Hong Kong Infantry Brigade.

To be an Officer of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire: Lieutenant Colonel H. de L. Panel, late Commander, Royal Engineers, Hong Kong.

## ARTILLERY DUEL AT HANGOE

According to Swedish correspondents in the Helsingfor area, an artillery duel has been proceeding at Hangoe since June 25.

Silence of the Russians on Saturday gave rise to rumours that they had prepared to yield.

It is computed that there are 25,000 Russians in the Hangoe area where there are two air grounds.

These correspondents are unable to confirm that the Finns began an attack on Hangoe on Monday or that Viborg also has been assailed.—Reuter.

## Volunteer Exercises Postponed

It is announced that the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps week-end exercises due to take place from July 4 to July 6, have been cancelled.

The exercises will now be held from P.M. 18th July, 1941 to P.M. 20th July, 1941 and employers of all concerned are requested to give the same facilities with regard to allowing volunteers to attend.

## HAILE SELASSIE AND PLEDGE

Answering a Commons question yesterday, the Foreign Under-Secretary stated that the text of the resolution passed at the meeting of Allied representatives held in London on June 12 had been forwarded to the Emperor of Ethiopia and His Majesty had been invited to associate himself with its principles.—British Wireless.

## SOVIET AID SEEN CONTINUING

A British radio report heard recently by CBS said the Chungking Government has announced extension of its agreement with Moscow for exchange of goods between China and Soviet Russia, with Russia agreeing to provide arms and ammunition for China's minerals and other raw materials.

## French Vessel Captured

A fast French motor liner, the Oregon, 7,706 tons, has been captured in the South Atlantic by British warships, according to maritime circles in New York last night.

The ship, it is reported, was taken to Freetown. She was well-known, before the war, on the Pacific Coast.

The British also captured two French trawlers, the Lorage, 580 tons; and the Avantgarde, 780 tons; and took them to Gibraltar.—Reuter.

## ONE IN THREE CIVILIANS HAS CHANGED JOB

One in every three persons in civilian employment to-day has changed his or her job since the war started, states the "New Chronicle."

This is shown by the most recent Gallup Survey, in which a representative cross-section of the civilian population was asked: "Have you changed your job or occupation since the war started?"

Analysis of the replies showed that:

20 per cent. had changed to a new job in a new kind of work; 12 per cent. had changed to a new job but in the same kind of work;

Highest percentages of change were among young people and in the lower income grouping. Thirty per cent. of men had changed jobs, and 34 per cent. of women.

To the subsidiary question: "Are you satisfied with your present job?" replies were:

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♣ 8 5

### EAST

▲ A 8 4

♥ 9 6 3

♦ K Q 8 4

♣ 7 4 3

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▲ Q J 5

♥ K J 7 2

♦ 10 7 3

♣ Q 10 6

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"West led a diamond, and the enemy took the first five tricks with great gusto.

As you'll note, we had game in spades, hearts, or clubs — but not no-trump. But it all seemed quite logical to us then, and we still don't see how we could have avoided the danger of a setup suit being run against us.

"South pointed out that I might very well have held a singleton heart and three diamonds to the Ace-Queen. In that event no-trump would be the right spot for the hand. And, from my point of view, South's spade and diamond holdings might have been exchanged, and then again no-trump would be the right contract.

"Our trouble is that we sometimes get to a suit contract and sometimes to a no-trump contract on hands of this sort. But even when the contract is correct, it's more by luck than brains. Isn't there a safer way to make this sort of decision?"

There is. North's second bid should be one spade rather than three clubs. Then if South bids one no-trump, he promises at least a semi-stopper in diamonds. Actually, South should bid two clubs over one spade—hinting, by avoiding no-trump, that he is weak in the unbid suit. Then North bids three hearts—indicating, by bidding three suits, extreme shortness in the fourth suit. From there on, South's bidding might lead to any suit game contract; but it would not lead to game in no-trump unless he had a sure stopper in diamonds.

Yesterday you were Merwin Maier's partner and, with neither side vulnerable, you held:

▲ A J 10 3 2  
♥ K Q 5  
♦ Q 10 2  
♣ J 4

### The bidding:

Schenken	You	Jacoby	Maier
Pass	1♣	Pass	2♣
2♦	Pass	Pass	3♥
Pass	(?)		

ANSWER: Bid two spades. Partner's reopening bid shows a strong hand with good chances for game so you must find some rebid. With a slightly stronger diamond holding, you would prefer the rebid of two no-trump; as it is, your better course is to show that your spades are rebiddable.

Score 100% for two spades, 60% for two no-trump, 30% for three clubs, 20% for pass.

### Question No. 757

To-day you hold the same hand, but the bidding is different:

Schenken	You	Jacoby	Maier
Pass	1♣	Pass	2♣
2♦	Pass	3♦	3♠
Pass	(?)		

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

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# NAZIS TAKE ALL AND GIVE POLES WHAT'S LEFT

GERMANISATION OF the land won by the Third Reich from former Poland is proceeding with a ruthless thoroughness that shows long preparation.

As far as can be judged from the region about Litzmannstadt in the former Polish Corridor, active furtherance of the interests of the German population which has come here from Galicia and Volhynia is evident.

The Polish population which has outlived the horrors of war is removed to the protectorate, employed in a subordinate position or entirely disregarded.

The German peasants who are being settled in and around Litzmannstadt left their homes in the Eastern part of former Poland to travel many weary miles in farm wagons and on horseback in long dusty columns to their present location.

When they arrived, they were tired and all felt strange in a strange country. Many of them had been completely assimilated in their former Polish environment and can no longer speak and write German.

The important work of "re-Germanising" these Polish-Germans is being undertaken by various organisations and departments of the Third Reich.

## Students Do Work

Much of the work is being done by mere students, boys and girls in their teens, who were organised in work groups for just this purpose long before the war began.

In the Warthegau, the region about Litzmannstadt, there are 80 medical students, 100 students from normal schools, 150 students of architecture and practical construction and about 200 girl students. They are all volunteers. At the end of July they gathered in a camp at Gradinki near Litzmannstadt, from when they were sent to the surrounding regions. Their organisation is called "Fachsatz Ost" (specialised volunteers East).

They work in collaboration with the S. S. Department for colonising, which pays their expenses. The architects and construction students receive eight marks (about three dollars) pay per day, the rest of the students get five marks per day. Travelling expenses are also paid by the S. S.

The work of "resettlement" and "re-Germanisation" was planned in the camp at Gradinki by the student leaders. Maps and drawings were made for the projected buildings and improvements. The children of the settlers were counted and their previous school training ascertained.

It is no uncommon sight to see a young blond lad of 18 or 19 in a Hitler Youth uniform directing the work of five or ten Polish men in reconstructing an old farmhouse or building a sawmill.

One of the problems, as one young German explained, is to reconstruct the chimneys of the Polish farm houses which are broad at the bottom and taper to a point above the straw thatched roofs.

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Medical tests for admission into the Forces are much stricter now and are likely to be made still stricter.

The Minister of Pensions told the Commons recently that in the early days of the war many men were taken into the Forces who ought never to have been taken in.

He took up the matter very strongly with the War Office and there had been an enormous improvement in the medical examinations.

He was now getting fewer and fewer cases, but was still pressing for even stricter examination.

Tribunals to deal with such cases would be set up.

Mr. George Griffiths (Soc., Hemsworth) mentioned the case of a young man who, he said, was practically dying on his feet. Yet his Army medical officer told him he was idling.

The man was in a sanatorium suffering from tuberculosis within a month of his being able to get back home.

War pensions committees are pressing for an appeals tribunal to consider reject pension claims. At present applicants have no right of appeal.

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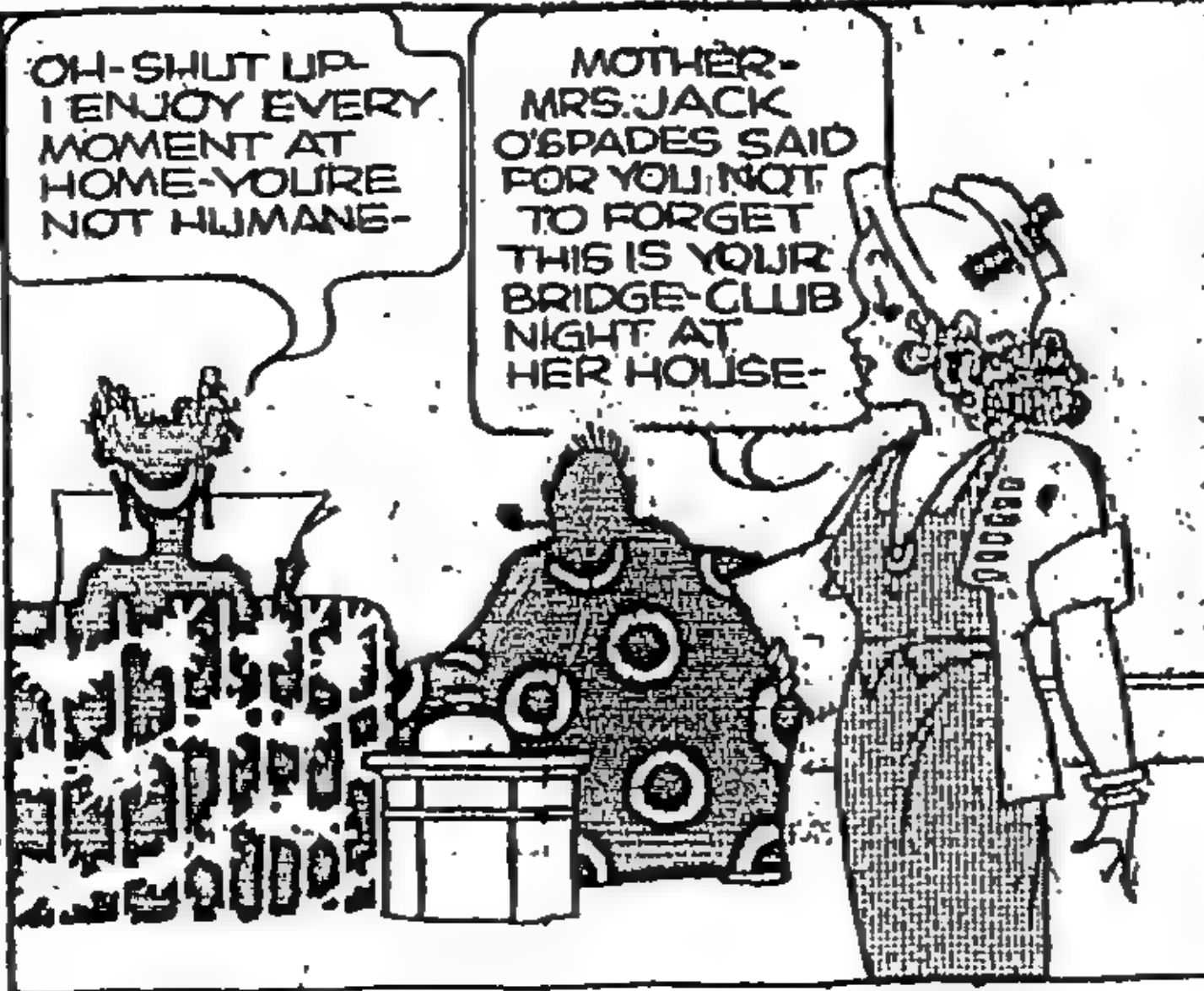
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## A PAGE FOR WOMEN Slouching Shoulders

Girls, it is neither smart nor healthy to go about with slouching shoulders. Slouching shoulders is just a bad habit and there is nothing we can say in favour of them. How much more beautiful is a high, firm bustline and a straight spine!

Growing girls, and those in their early twenties, should endeavour to attain good posture as a natural habit. So much of your future good health and happiness depends on that good posture! You will want to have a pretty figure in your thirties, good health in your forties and fifties and grace and charm until you die! So build for all that now by correcting your shoulder-slouch if you are guilty of one.

### Do This Every Day

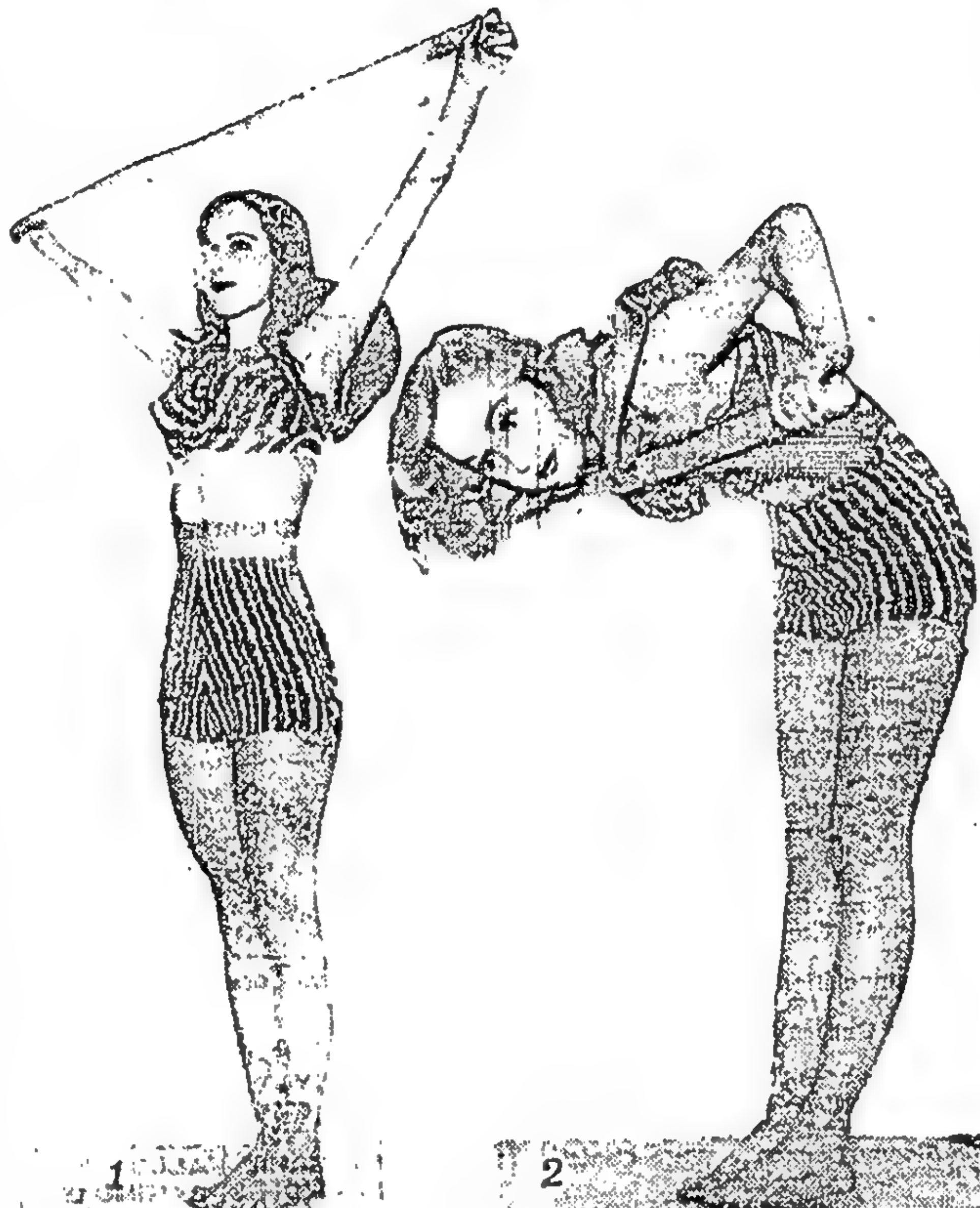
From time to time I give you an effective exercise to improve your bustline and to straighten your shoulders. Add to-day's exercise to those you already have and do practice them every day until your back and shoulder muscles have been strengthened and forced into their correct positions. Then good posture will be unconscious.

Begin this exercise by holding a rod or bar one yard long, high over your head. Make your eyes look level and that means your head back, poised on the tip of your spine!

As you stand thus, draw your abdomen in and up. You can do it—if not the first time, the second or third time.

Then swing your upper body forward KEEPING ABDOMEN IN and sweep the floor with the bar if you can, then bring it up to touch your chest as you stand bent over. This forces your shoulder-blades together and stretches your lazy neck muscles. Straighten up to standing position and drop bar to relax.

Repeat this in rhythm at least ten times, and concentrate on



LUCILE FAIRBANKS illustrates starting position of to-day's exercises.

Exercise ends when shoulder-blades are forced together in this manner.

what you are doing. Half-measures get you nowhere, remember.

### Train Your Abdomen

You know, the secret of all good posture is control of abdominal muscles. If they are firm and if you hold your abdomen in an up you automatically raise your chest

and straighten your spine. So work to get control of those muscles. When you are walking, or standing or lying flat on a bed; forcibly pull your abdomen in and push it out. Relax after a few minutes and repeat the exercise. In no time at all you will find yourself "wanting" to keep in good posture — it gives you a grand sense of poise and comfort!

## The Sun For Health And Beauty

If a cosmetic firm should discover how to bottle sunshine to sell during the rainy or cold months it would make millions of dollars in one year—for sunshine is perhaps the greatest beautifier that man or woman can use!

Fortunately sunshine is free for all. So get yourself and your family out in it as much as possible.

With our high standard of living comes a price—and that price is serious if we pay it. Closed

automobiles keep us separated from fresh air and sunshine. Theatres and movies keep us indoors for hours. Air-conditioned homes tempt us to stay indoors instead of embracing summer's heat as we should—near the sea with our heads and skins well

protected from too scorching sun rays.

We must get out-of-doors more. Children should be encouraged by parents and by schools to play competitive games out under the sun. Mothers can take their children to the roof for an hour or more a day. If one determines to get the sun there are numerous ways in which to enjoy it.

### Consider Sun's Importance

Sun is all important to us. When you consider how a plant grows healthy under the sun rays and how it withers and dies if denied that sun, we conceive in some measure how vital sunshine is to humans. Without its benefits there would be no life on earth.

Girls and women who suffer with acne know that their skin improves when they take the sun. Invalids who have had little strength while lying in bed for weeks quickly regain their strength when given sun treatment. Children who have been nervous or victims of asthma find new vitality from the sun's rays. Persons who suffer melancholy experience cheered spirits after a month in a sunny climate. The



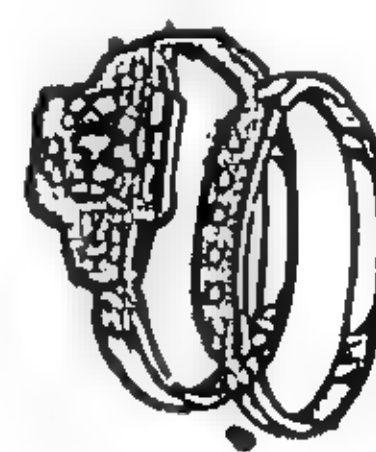
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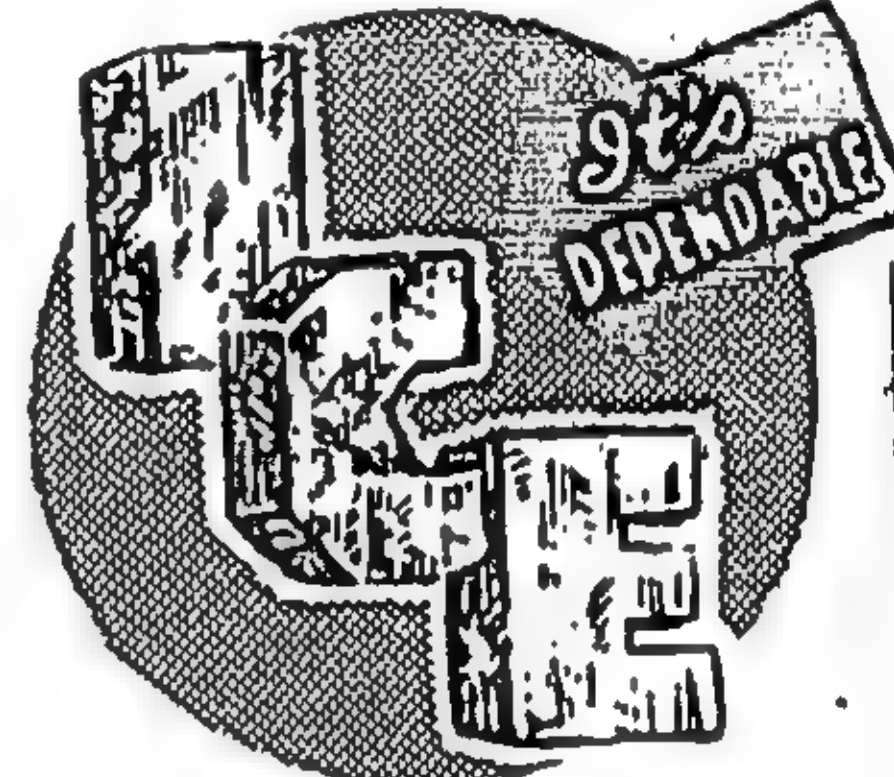
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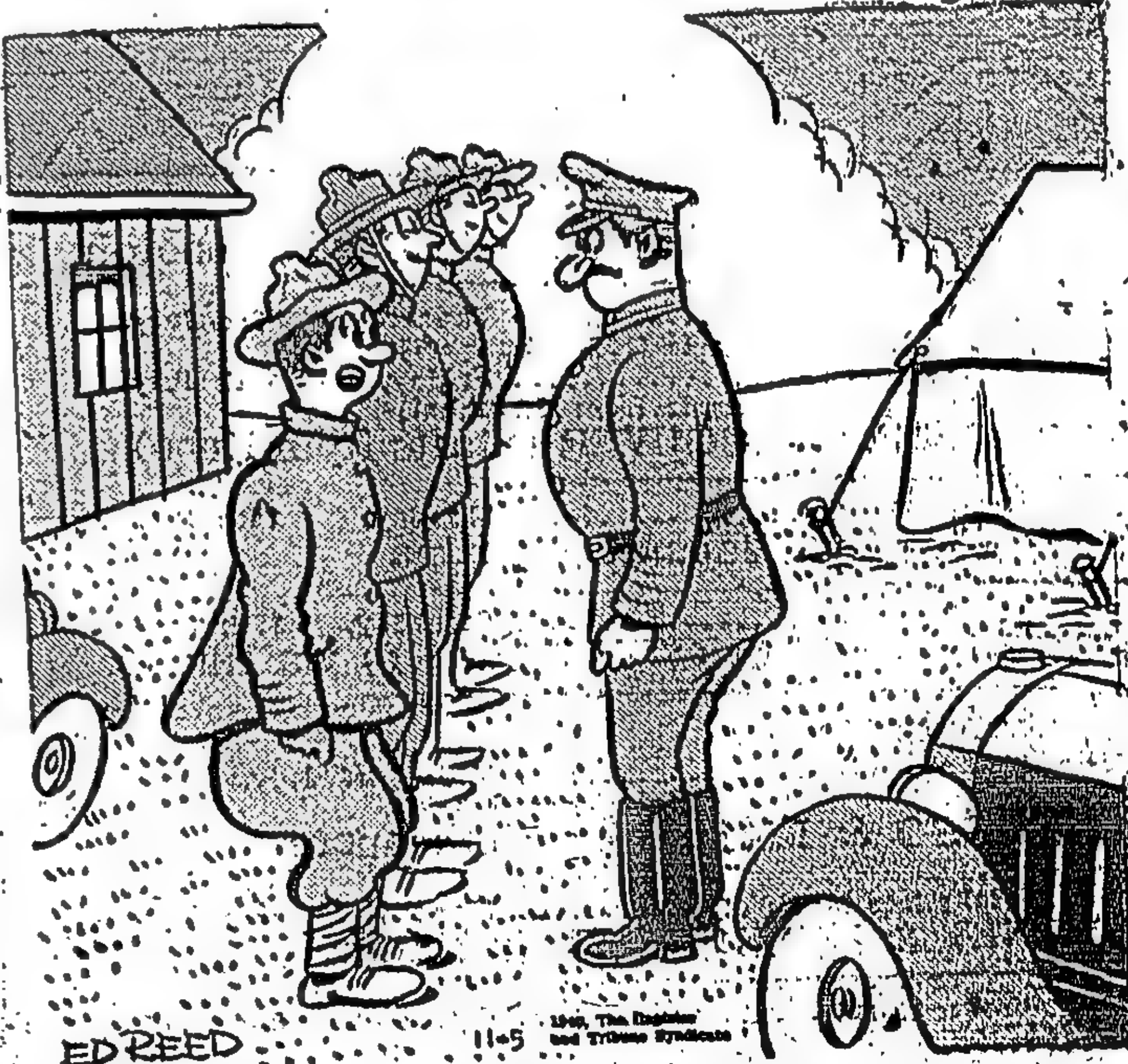
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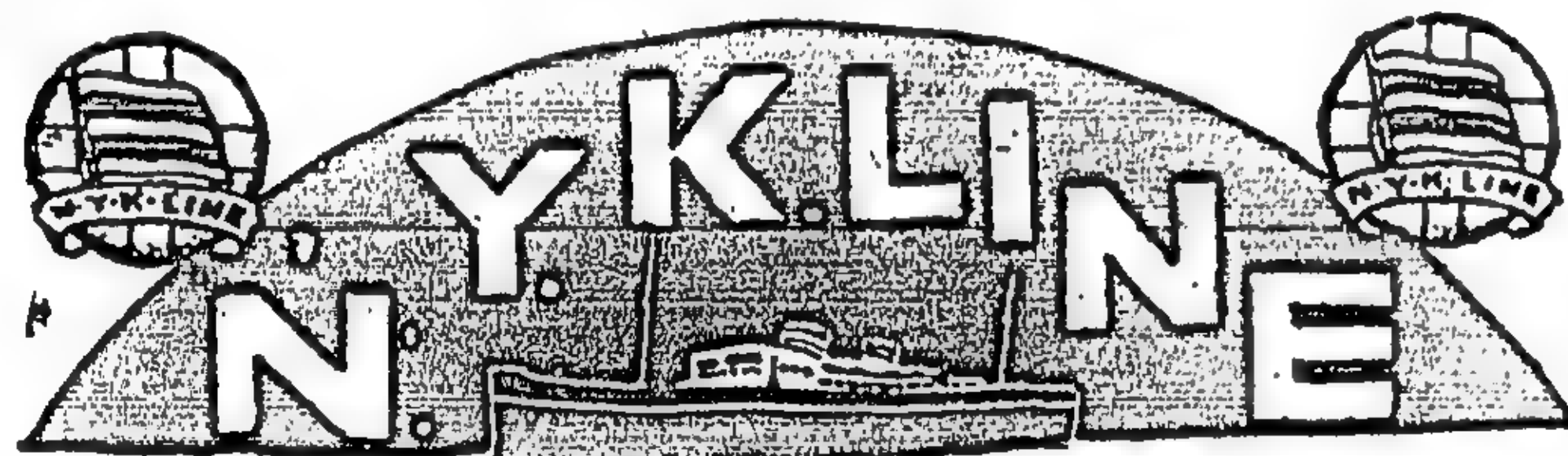
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1st Mov: Largo-Allegro vivace; 2nd Mov: Adagio; 3rd Mov: Menuetto (Allegro); 4th Mov: Finale (Presto). Serge Koussevitzky and the Boston Symphony Orchestra.  
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6.00 p.m.—Indian Programme.  
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1st Mov: Allegro non troppo; 2nd Mov: Allegro appassionato; 3rd Mov: Andante; 4th Mov: Allegretto grazioso...William Backhaus (Piano) and the Saxon State Orch.  
7.35 p.m.—A Dvorak Programme. Humoreske, Op. 101, No. 7...Gaspar Cassado (Cello) with Piano accomp. Songs My Mother Taught Me...Dino Borgioli (Tenor) with Piano and Violin Obligato.  
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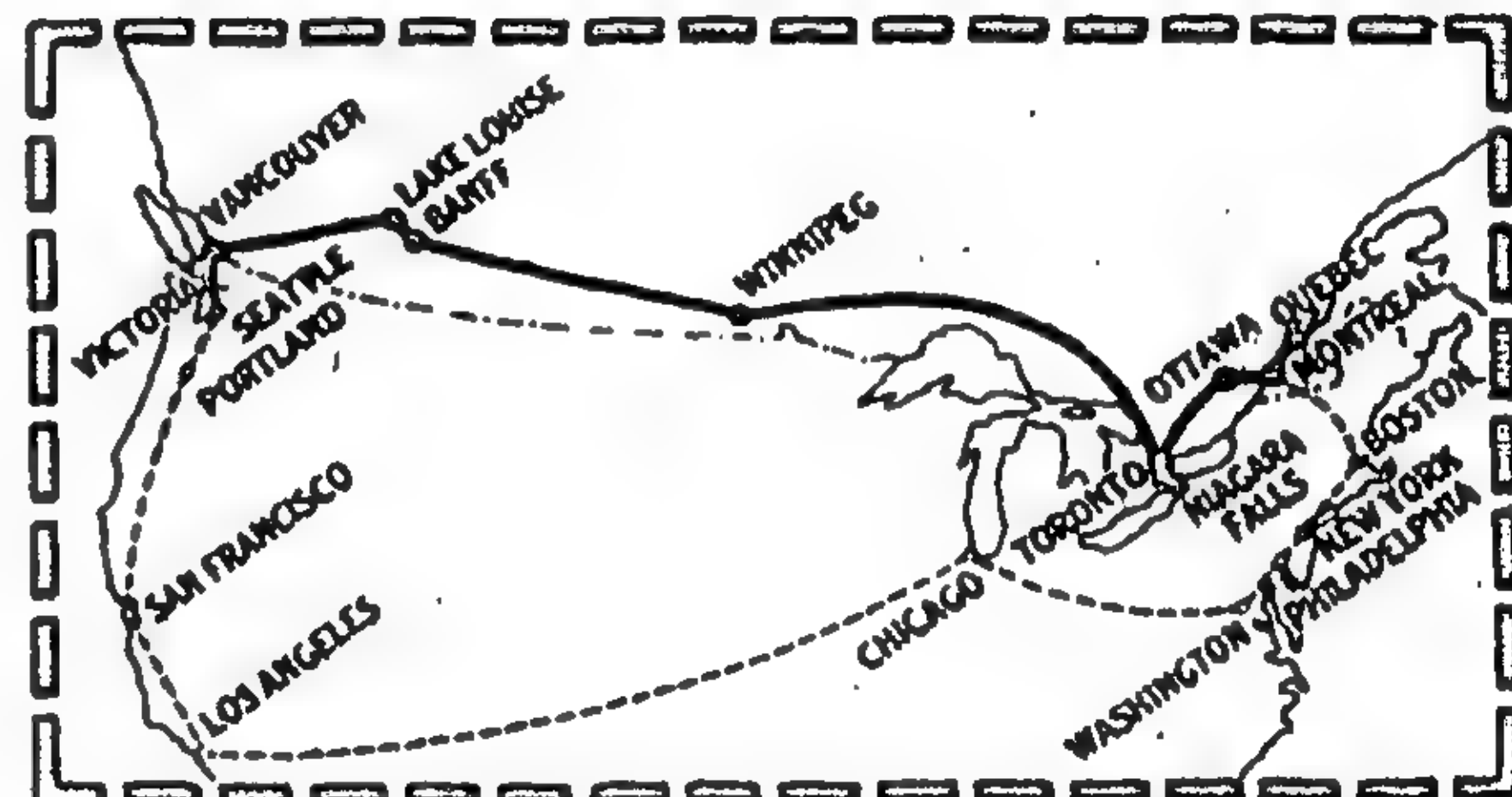
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Seven full Generals, one Lieutenant-General, six Major-Generals and seven Brigadier-Generals have agreed to take rank which in only three instances is as high as Brigadier. Of the rest 65 are to be Colonels and 56 Lieutenant-Colonels. The three Area Commanders who take the rank of Brigadiers are:

Gen. Sir Charles Parker Deedes, who was formerly Director-General of Personal Services at the War Office and when he retired in 1937 was Military Secretary to the Secretary for War.

Major-Gen. Lord Loch, a Lord in Waiting to the King and a former Captain of the King's Bodyguard of the Yeoman of the Guard; and

Gen. Sir Cecil Francis Roemer, Adjutant-General to the Forces until he retired in 1935.

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taking the rank of Colonel, include the Earl of Liverpool, former Governor-General of New Zealand and Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland. Actually this is a promotion, for he retired from the Army with the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel.

Among the 56 Battalion Commanders, with the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel, are: Gen. Sir I. L. B. Vesey, Chief of the General Staff, India, until 1939; Major-Gen. H. Rowan-Robinson, Inspector-General, Iraqi Army, from 1930 to 1934; Major-Gen. H. W. Newcome, Colonel-Commandant, R.A., since 1938, and Col. Lord Rotherwick, the well-known shipowner.

# "Lipstick War"

An allegation that business premises requisitioned on behalf of the Government were being used for making such things as lipstick-holders was made in the Chancery Division.

Mr. D. N. Fritt, K.C., appeared for Mr. John Christian Strachan, of Tenterden, Wokingham Road, Bracknell, Berkshire, plaintiff in an action against Shearex Limited, Moorgate Station Chambers, London, and Mr. Edwin George Brown, of Adastral House, Kingsway, London.

He moved for an interlocutory injunction to restrain the defendants from taking possession of any part of Mr. Strachan's premises, known as Bracknell Garage, other than the parts of which they were in possession at the date the writ was issued.

It was stated that Mr. Brown was a representative of the Ministry of Aircraft Production.

Mr. Fritt said that the Ministry took over three-quarters of the garage, and then said they wanted the rest of it. When Mr. Strachan discovered that 99 per cent. of the work being done on the premises by Shearex consisted of making lipstick-holders and things of that kind, he was entitled to have the matter investigated by the Court. This was not denied, but it was said that the articles were for export, and that Shearex had extensive contracts with the Ministry.

Mr. Strachan in his evidence said he believed the firm were manufacturing lipstick-holders, jewel and ring cases and other articles of bakelite material.

Mr. Fritt: I do not know how we are going to carry on a war with lipstick-holders.

Mr. Justice Farwell said that prima facie the fact that the competent authority had made the requisition order was conclusive, unless it could be shown that they had not acted reasonably or in good faith. That was a matter for the trial. There would be no order on the motion, and the Court would give facilities for a speedy trial of the action.

# THEIR UNCLE IN EVERY PORT

An uncle in every port is Mr. Bevin's plan for Seamen.

The uncle is the Seamen's Welfare Officer. He is secretary of the Port Welfare Committee, whose job it is to see that the seamen in port gets enough cigarettes, to look after his general health between voyages, and generally to see that the seamen's life is a happy one.

Such committees have been formed in London, Bristol, Hull, Merseyside, Newcastle, Glasgow, Leith and Cardiff. They are composed of representatives of trade unions, shipowners and voluntary organisations.

A national body called the Seamen's Welfare Board was set up by Mr. Bevin some months ago. The Board, as well as having the assistance of the trade unions and the owners, includes a distinguished doctor among its members.

At Mr. Bevin's request an intensive investigation has been carried out into the needs of Indian seamen.

The United States is assisting by opening clubs like the British Merchant Navy Club which Lord Halifax opened in New York. Local committees for aid for seamen have been set up in Baltimore, Boston, New Orleans, Galveston, Houston, Mobile and Charleston.

# BABY IS SOLE SURVIVOR OF FAMILY OF 13

The mystery baby who was taken to St. Bartholomew's Hospital after an air raid, wearing a gold signet ring, has been identified as 15-month-old Terence Stone.

He is the sole survivor of a family of 13 who were wiped out in a recent raid on East London. Terry was very badly burned, and had to be placed immediately into a saline bath, thermostatically controlled, so that he remains in an even temperature.

When the raid started they all went into the shelter. Then things got quiet, and they returned to the flat. Almost immediately the bomb dropped. Mr. Charles Bates, Terry's uncle, lost his wife and two children. He was on duty as a fireman when the family were trapped. He helped to dig them out.

Doctors believe that, in spite of his disfigurement, Terry will not lose his sight.

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## Chuck Waggoner Has 3 In 5 Batting Performance

### WHITE STARTS EARLY

[BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT]

What with the typhoon threat washing out all sport, it is indeed refreshing to hear of somebody doing something — even though it be cricket practice in the hot weather, on a gravel pitch, without nets or stumps, and with only a bat and a ball.

Still, it is keenness that makes up for everything else and in this direction we raise our hats to G. V. White, Police R.C. cricketer, who, at the Police Training School now, is doing his best to instill some of his keenness into two new arrivals, J. Clements and K. Douche.

From White I learned that Clements is a very stylish left-hand bat, and that K. Douche promises great things with the ball, being a more than useful medium-paced bowler.

In the course of a conversation with White, I learned that he had played a good deal of cricket at home. As previously reported in these columns, he turned out for St. George's in Cricket Club Conference matches, while he received coaching from Gregory and Squires, both of Surrey, at the Hobbs-Sandham cricket school, and later on he went to the Albury-Faulkner School, where he was coached by Pugh, of Glamorgan.

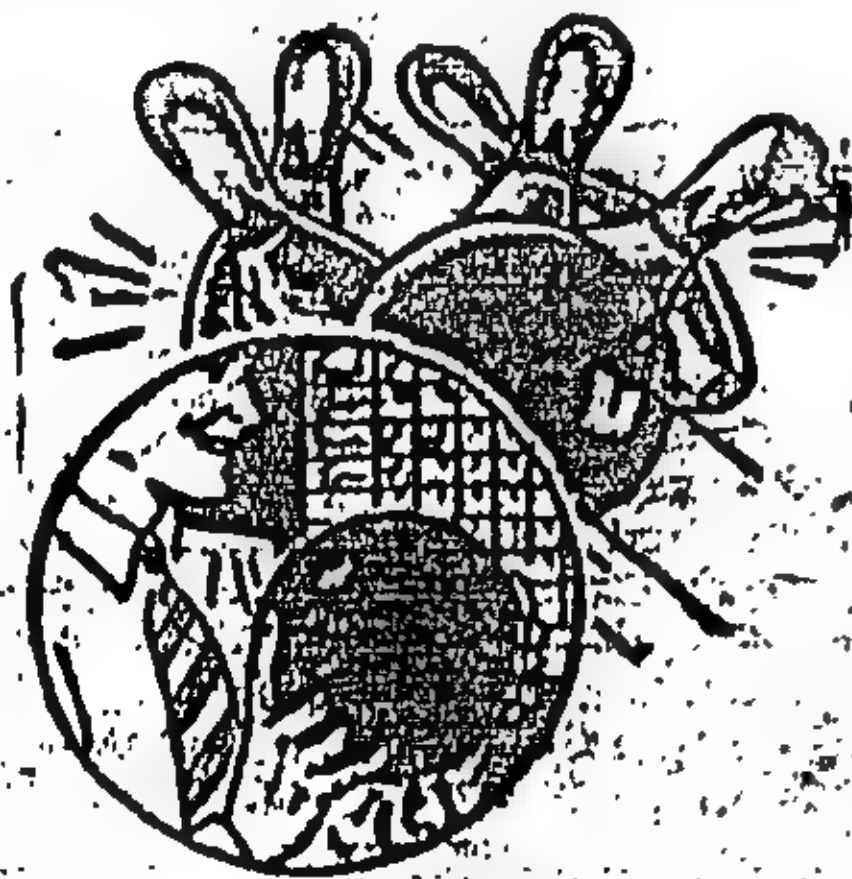
### Sees All Tests

Always keen on the game, White had not missed a Test match at Lord's since 1929 up till the time he came out here in 1939, reason for this being that he was working for an old gentleman who himself was a very keen follower of the game, and he was therefore always given time off to watch the Tests.

White was an observer in the Royal Air Force, but after an accident he resigned. In 1939 he went to Downing College, Cambridge University, for an O.T.C. course, and it was during this period that he rowed No. 4 in the College's second eight.

White has also played a good deal of tennis, while he played a lot of lawn bowls at Hampstead and Burham, in Somerset.

Last season White, who turned out for P.R.C. in Second Division of the Cricket League, did fairly well, but he is looking forward to a better season now that he has become more used to the light.



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### H.B. SQUAD FATTEN BATTING AVERAGES: CORK BADLY INJURED

By "Grandstand"

**HIGH-LIGHTED BY CHUNG HWA LEFT-GARDENER 'MOROCCO' CHAN'S NEAT STEAL HOME IN THE SEVENTH FOR THE TIE IN RUN AND 'GRANDPA' LEUNG'S CLUTCH SINGLE IN THE NINTH, CHUNG HWA MAROONS NOSED OUT CHUCK WAGGONER'S MOHAWKS 8 TO 7 IN SATURDAY'S NIGHT-CAP, WHICH WENT INTO TWO OVER-TIME STANZAS, WHILST HONG KONG BREWERS WON BOTH OF THEIR GAMES DURING THE WEEK-END, WHEN THEY CALCIMINED SOUTH CHINA 22-0, TRAMPLED ALL OVER ROYAL ENGINEERS TO AN 18-2 VICTORY.**

Dave Leonard homered in the Brewers-South China clash, whilst an unfortunate mishap occurred in Royal Engineers' tilt with Brewers which necessitated out-fielder Cork's removal to hospital, where he was detained.

For the second time in succession, "Grandpa" Leung Foo-cho, that Grand Old Man, came through with a single in the last inning for the Chung Hwa winning tally, the contest going into extra-innings on both occasions.

Mound victor Al Lau went the rout for Chung Hwa, and yielded seven safeties whilst his mates could collect only three singles off Mohawk hurlers Bernie Johnson and Den Crary. Lau fanned six and walked six, but was charged with two wild pitches, whilst Johnson whiffed eight and passed five in five frames. Crary, relieving Johnson in the sixth, accounted for two via the strikeout route, but issued free transportation to first to two Maroons.

### Mohawks Get Going

Mohawks drew first blood on a walk and Chuck Waggoner's rasping single, while Johnnie Schaberg also singled and Larry Lawrence drew a pass to load the sacks with one out, but Crary and Johnson both fanned the breeze for no gain in score.

In Chung Hwa's half three runs trickled across the platter on three walks, and a single, assisted by a couple of Mohawk miscues, for the Maroons to take the lead. In the second chapter both sides could not produce a run, but in the third the Waggonermen evened the count at 3—all on a pair of doubles by Chuck Waggoner and Bernie Johnson.

In the fourth and fifth slabster Al Lau handcuffed the opposition, retiring the side in 1-2-3 order, whilst two of his mates romped over the pay-off station on a brace of bobbles in the fifth.

Coming into the sixth, moundsman Lau temporarily lost control and was nicked for two blows, walked one and tossed one into the dirt for a Mohawk four-run uprising.

Trailing behind two runs in the last of the seventh, Loong popped out to Schaberg. Bill Chang drew a pass and pilfered second and third, Morocco Chan's Texas leaguer scored Chang, whilst Chan also sneaked second and third, beating the peg by a cat's eyebrow.

### Verbal Abuse

A storm of verbal abuse greeted Hank Alf's close decision, but soon subsided. The fireworks broke out again as Chan stole home whilst hurler Crary was delivering a pitch, but chief umpire Tony Mascavago ruled the runner safe, and the game was deadlocked 7-7.

Both sides were unable to produce a marker in the eighth and the game went into the ninth that way. Hal Waller grounded out, whilst Larry Lawrence looked at three fast ones for the second

erasure, Crary worked Lau for a free ride to first, but had lead in his shoes and was caught in an attempt to burgle the mid-way cushion.

### Oliver's Lapse

In the Maroons' turn at bat, Dan Oliver dropped Bill Chang's sitter. After pilfering the key-stone sack, Chang got crossed-up on the coacher's signals and calmly strolled back to first-base to be tagged out. "Morocco" Chan next drew a walk and stole second. Grandpa Leung, coming up to the pitter with his pet mace, clouted Crary's cripple into short centre to see Chan, with tie-breaker, cross the pay-off station standing up.

Chuck Waggoner's three in five batting performance was the best, and included a two-bagger. Bernie Johnson clouted the only other extra-base knock with a double.

Brewers went out during the week-end with the sole purpose of fattening their batting averages at the expense of South China and Royal Engineers, and that's exactly what they did.

White-washing the Caroliners 22-0, the Beermen chalked up a total of 17 safeties off moundsmen Ernie Moy and P. I. Lau, whilst Gerry Gosano in his mound debut, doled out one blow in three innings. D. Leonard taking over mound duties in a no-hit, no-run performance for the remaining four sessions.

### Only Round-Trip

Both Gerry Gosano and Leonard fanned two and walked one, whilst Nam Hwa hurlers Moy and Lau passed two and three respectively. Every Brewer connected, for, at least one hit, horse-hide banging centre-fielder, "Baby" Abbas returning a perfect performance with five singles in his five batting chances, whilst hind-snatcher Lefty Arculli was good for two in three. Dave "Bambino" Leonard blammed a trolley-wire smash to deep left for the only round-tripper during the week-end.

Nam Hwa right-gardener David "Dopey" Lo saved his side from a shut-out with a hump-backed liner to short-centre.

The H.B. R.E. tilt was marred by an unfortunate incident, when Sappers' right-gardener, Cork, sustained several severe cuts, whilst chasing Oscar Arculli's long hop, which fell on foul territory. The accident necessitated Cork's removal to hospital.

After walking six and dishing out eight safeties in four and two-thirds innings, Engineer hurler, Mike Sarafeld, was derailed in favour of first-sacker Shaw, who took over mound duties for the rest of the game, yielding three

### LEAGUE TABLE TO DATE

	W.	L.	Pctg.
Chung Hwa	2	0	1.000
U.S.S. Mindamao	2	0	1.000
Hong Kong Brewers	3	1	.750
U.S.S. Asheville	1	1	.500
Royal Engineers	1	2	.333
H.K. Baseballers	0	2	.000
South China	0	3	.000

hits. Madeen "Slim" Arculli, who worked on the rubber for the Beermen, was nicked for five safeties and fanned only three.

### Sappers Start Well

Sappers held the Leonard run-making machine in check for the first canto, but the mace-mauling of the super-sluggers soon began to tell, as they chalked up clusters of four and five runs in the second and third to pave the way for an 18-run scoring spree.

Sappers broke the ice in the sixth when Shaw singled. George Souza, guardian of the windy alley, booted a perfect double-play set-up by fumbling Tom Fox's easy roller. Bob Foley next up, rapped out a single to chase Shaw across the counting station, whilst Fox romped home, when Tony "Peewee" Alves heaved a wild one over third base.

The tilt was featured by two twin-killings, when Tony Alves freezeed on to "Welfie" Welford's liner and caught Ratcliffe off second for an unassisted double-play, and again when Arculli pegged Ratcliffe at second after Gray had struck out.

## EASIER GOLF

### TOO MUCH REACH By Best Ball

Reaching for the ball is a common error among the average golfers. At times the player labours under the delusion that such a stance enables him to pack more punch in his shot. On other occasions the player may keep edging back from the ball unconsciously or even come by the position in his ever changing search for a posture which will enable him to hit the ball accurately. Such a stance tenses the swinging muscles and while the player may feel that his position is set enough to put everything in the effort, the actual result is different.

For efficient stroking the stance must be relaxed, almost lazy like in appearance with the arms hanging comfortably from the shoulders. This looseness allows a fluent swing and with the hands moving close to the body, an impact with the clubhead



## POLICE BOWLS CHANGES

Police are making a few changes in their First Division Lawn Bowls League team against Indian R.C. this week-end.

The rinks led by Shepherd and Mair are unaltered, but Post, who had been leading a rink for some time, now goes to No. 1 following the return of J. C. S. Fender from leave, the latter being given the rink. Post is lead for Fender, while Channing, who was No. 2 to Post last week, has gone down to the Third Division team. Forrest, lead to Post last week, will be No. 2 this time, and S. Nolan's place at No. 3 has been taken by J. Orem, Nolan going to No. 3 in one of the Third Division rinks.

The Third Division team has also been changed. Aitken's rink remains intact, but in MacDonald's quartette W. M. Smith, who was No. 2 to Carey last week, replaces Wilcox in the same position, while McHardy's place at No. 3 has been taken by Nolan.

Johnson, No. 3 to Carey last week, moves up to No. 2 this time in place of Smith, who has gone over to MacDonald's rink, while Channing comes in at No. 3, the position held by Johnson last week.

Following are the teams:

First Division (v I.R.C., Home)

W. McLeod, A. Harrison, W. S. Dall and J. Shepherd (Skip).

C. H. Gough, C. Pile, G. Perkins and W. Mair (Skip).

E. G. Post, J. M. Forrest, J. Orem and J. Shepherd (Skip).

Third Division (v I.R.C., Away)

J. E. Hayward, J. Riddell, J. R. McWalter and J. C. Aitken (Skip).

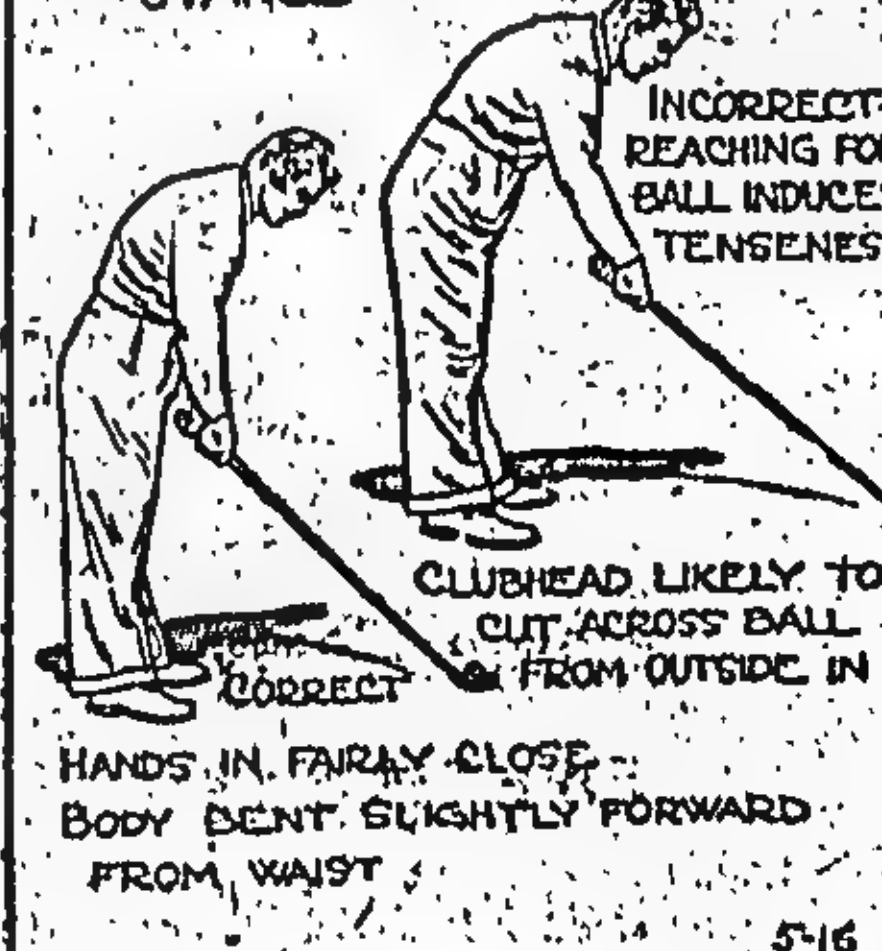
A. Soutar, W. M. Smith, F. Nolan and J. W. MacDonald (Skip).

L. C. Pennell, A. J. Johnson, F. Channing and A. E. Carey (Skip).

Reserves: G. E. Willerton, E. Greenwood, G. Davis and H. B. Dewar.

Weather permitting, Chung Hwa meet Royal Engineers in a League baseball game at Chatham Road ground to-day at 5.45 p.m.

ADOPT AN EASY COMFORTABLE STANCE



straight ahead along the line of sight or slightly from the inside out. When the hands are far out from the body control is reduced and club-head is quite likely to cut across the ball from the outside in causing a slice. Next Article—Left Hip Around.



## MRS. ROUND LITTLE AS COACH

Dorothy Round-Little, famous Wimbledon tennis star, who joined the Seignior Club P.Q., on June 23 as tennis coach for the Summer is, according to Mary Harwick of England, one of the greatest woman players of the game.

Miss Harwick, who was in Montreal recently to discuss plans for her forthcoming exhibition games with Mrs. Little, for the benefit of the Canadian Red Cross, said her countrywoman could compete easily with the three greatest women players in the world, the late Suzanne Lenglen, Helen Wills and Alice Marble (an opinion, incidentally, shared by Miss Marble).

"Dorothy Round is certainly the greatest woman player they ever had in England and, when on her game, is a stylist of rare perfection," said Miss Harwick. "I still can recall a game I played with her on the great centre court at Wimbledon in 1936 when I was on the Wightman Cup Team for the first time. Her speed and perfect stroking then I have always remembered."

### Played With Brothers

Mrs. Little first played tennis with her three elder brothers with no thought of becoming any more than an ordinary player until the age of 16 when she played in her first tournament. This occurred in North Wales in 1926 and her performance attracted the attention of the local press. Encouraged, she entered and won the Worcestershire Junior Championships the following week. The next year she played in London for the first time and surprised everyone by nearly beating Betty Nuthall who, even then, was world famous.

Since those early days Dorothy Round has become an internationally well known figure in the tennis world. She won the Wimbledon championship twice, first when she defeated Helen Jacobs in 1934 and again in 1937 when she won from the Polish star, Jadwiga Jedrzejowska.

### Mixed Doubles Wins

She won the mixed doubles championships at Wimbledon three times, once with R. Miki of Japan and in 1935 and 1936 with Fred Perry.

From 1932 to 1937 she was ranked first in Great Britain and was a member of the British Wightman Cup team which visited the United States in 1935. She has toured the world twice winning championships in Australia, United States (the 1933 Pacific Coast championships at Los Angeles when she defeated Alice Marble) and in New Zealand.

Mrs. Little, who is in Canada for the war's duration with her small son, Ian, entered the teaching ranks for the first time when she turned to coaching on the Seignior Club courts this summer. Several other fields were open to the British star, who is the author of two books entitled "Tennis for Girls" and "Modern Lawn Tennis," but her desire to teach the game was foremost.

# Golf's Hall Of Fame Selections Criticized

New ships do not always have a perfect launching, writes A. Linde Fowler in "The Christian Science Monitor." Something like that, metaphorically speaking, seems to have overtaken the recent launching of the Golf Hall of Fame, idea of Fred Corcoran, tournament manager of the Professional Golfers' Association of America, the organization which sponsored the movement.

The idea, copied from baseball, seemed to meet with general approval. There were no loud dissenters, apparently, when the personnel of the first selection committee was made known, with Grantland Rice as chairman; O. B. Keeler, Kerr Petrie and this writer as the other members, all with a wealth of background provided by from 30 to 40 years of reporting and commenting on affairs of the links.

It was not until this committee had named, as the first of the greats whose names were to be perpetuated in some suitable fashion, Francis D. Ouimet, Walter C. Hagen, Gene Sarazen and Robert Tyre Jones, Jr. (naming them in the calendarial order of their first major national or international victories) that the sports columnists began to pound their typewriter keyboards and grind out copy criticising both the committee and the P. G. A.

### No Girl Named

Criticisms, for the most part, as I gather from Fred Corcoran, are that the committee failed to name

a number of amateurs and professionals whose deeds fully justified their inclusion in the niches of fame, and was decidedly remiss in not having named a single feminine great. In other words, the committee has been assailed more from the angle of omission than of commission. As an individual, rather than as a committeeman, I will agree that failure to include the gentler sex was a lamentable oversight, which probably never would have occurred had the committee met as a group, instead of comparing notes as their paths crossed in their peregrinations.

### Absentees

With those who charge the committee with having been remiss in not naming, in their initial group, such men as Jerome D. Travers, four times winner of the national amateur championship and once of the open; Charles E. (Chick) Evans, as winner of the national amateur twice and the national open once, the same as Francis Ouimet, and with those who name others well worthy of a place in the Hall of Fame, I have no quarrel. Such critics do the committee little credit in suggesting that the names and fame of such golfers were either ignored, unknown, or overlooked.

### Carry On Selections

What these critics fail to take into account was that the P. G. A. was indirectly paying a real compliment to the growing ranks of

golf writers in purposely limiting the selections of the initial committee of "veteran writers" to four men, thus leaving it to the much larger circle of golf writers throughout the country to carry on the selections, in future, and by their majority vote name the men who in their selective opinion should be memorialised.

Again as a commentator, rather than as a committeeman, I venture the opinion that the P. G. A. might wisely have empowered its "veteran" first Hall of Fame Committee to name not four, but 10 or a dozen or more golfers at the very outset, for a variety of reasons. First and foremost, the members of this committee are more conversant with the deeds and personalities of the great golfers of the past than a large majority of the newer crop of writers and might advance cogent reasons why some golfer should be included whose name and fame are little known to the present-day golfing scribes, except for what they might find in the U.S.G.A. or P.G.A. Year Books.

### Only Half Story

Such statistics may tell only half the story. The book records in baseball, for example, convey more than do those in golf, in my opinion. In baseball, furthermore, the greats of the game appear time and time again before thousands in all cities where major league baseball is played, whereas the greats of golf gain their laurels

largely from one or two appearances a year, either in national open or amateur championships for the men, and the one national for the women, supplemented, perhaps, by their efforts in foreign competition.

### Slight Differences

Moreover, would a so-called modern writer give much consideration to a man who won a national open with a total of 331, as Willie Anderson did in 1901, as compared to the scores which win national open titles to-day? Would he give the proper consideration to the changes in balls, implements, grooming of courses and other factors which have brought about such a wide variance? As one little example, Alex Smith was second, with 335, in the national open of 1898, whereas 23 years later, long past his prime, he was tied for fifth at the Columbia C.C., Chevy Chase, Md., with a total of 303.

In a forthcoming series of Saturday articles I will have the temerity to present a group of names of golfers who in my opinion deserve to be in the Golf Hall of Fame, together with my reasons, and also to answer at least one critic who wants to know why Francis Ouimet should be selected ahead of Chick Evans.

A demonstration water-polo game between Royal Navy and Army scheduled to have taken place to-night at the Army Pool has been postponed.

## NEWMARKET RACING CARNIVAL

Some of the glories of Royal Ascot will be revived at Newmarket to-day and to-morrow when substitute races for those normally held on the famous Berkshire Heath will be run.

War-time's first Ascot will be stripped of the usual glamour, such as the fashion parade and Royal Family's state arrival along the course, but the racing will be of the highest standard.

With the exception of the Derby winner, Owen Tudor, which is unlikely to run again until the St. Leger in September, all the leading horses are engaged for the valuable prizes offered by the Ascot authorities who, though unable to use their own course, which is serving other purposes, are anxious to maintain such events as the Coventry Stakes and Queen Mary Stakes for two-year-olds, St. James Palace Stakes for three-year-olds and the Gold Cup.

The Royal touch may quite possibly be provided by the King scoring a great double with his unbeaten two-year-olds Big Game and Sun Chariot in the Coventry and Queen Mary respectively.

Starters and jockeys in the Gold Cup are:

Too Coat (Elliott); Finis (Harry Wragg); Winterhaite (D. Smith); Oliden (Carey); Ling Legend (Beary); Hippus (Eoh Smith); Single Court (Cliff Richards).—Reuter.

## SWIMMING GALA VENUE IS CHANGED

The A.N.S. and V.A.D. swimming gala to be held on Saturday, July 12, has been transferred from the European Y.M.C.A. to the larger Army pool. At a meeting yesterday it was decided to reorganise the programme.

In view of the fact that the change of venue entailed a change of distance (the Y.M.C.A. is 25 yards long and the Army 33-1/3) it was decided to limit the A.N.S. and V.A.D. events to a length each. The following programme was approved:

A.N.S. v. V.A.D. in free-style, breast-stroke, back-stroke, relay and diving.

Y.M.C.A. Members two lengths free-style.

One length obstacle race. Garrison Officers v. Volunteer Officers (Relay (teams of eight)). Exhibition Diving.

Y.M.C.A.—200 yards handicap. Women's one length invitation race.

133-1/3 yards invitation relay (Hong Kong Naval Volunteer Force, Army, European Y.M.C.A.). Water-polo—Army v. Combined Navy-Civilians.

In the A.N.S. and V.A.D. events points will be awarded on a 4, 3, 2, 1 basis and relays will count 4 and 2.

If the weather is unfavourable, it is intended, providing the pool is free, to hold the gala on the following Saturday, July 19.

### EASTERN WIN 13-0

The touring Eastern footballers had a field day at Wagga on Monday, beating the local team by 13 goals to nil.

The second Test match will be played on July 5 at Sydney. The Chinese won the first Test by 4-4.

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# TORCH OF VICTORY PRESENTED TO PRIME MINISTER

## SITUATION STILL OBSCURE

(Continued from Page 1)

It says that the railway line from the Baltic to Leningrad was cut in four places and in the central sector, four goods trains and one munitions train were destroyed yesterday.

### Riga Captured

According to a Stockholm message, Riga is now in the hands of the Germans.

The Riga radio has been silent for some days, but it resumed broadcasting at 8.15 a.m. yesterday, when a German officer announced the fall of Riga.—Reuter

### Moscow Communique

A Red Army communique received yesterday afternoon states: "Fighting continued throughout the night of June 30/July 1 in the Murmansk, Dvinsk, Bobruisk, and Luck sectors. There was patrol and artillery activity on other parts of the front."

In the Murmansk region, the enemy succeeded pressing back our units but his further advance was halted and our land and air forces inflicted heavy losses.

The enemy brought up fresh mobile troops in the Dvinsk sector and our aircraft inflicted powerful blows upon them.

In the Minsk and Bobruisk sectors, our troops fought a night-

IN THE GARDEN of No. 10, Downing Street yesterday, the Prime Minister received the "Torch of Victory," emblem of Canada's Victory War Loan which, after travelling across the Dominion, has now been flown to England by a Bomber 'plane.

The Torch, which was inscribed "part of the tools of the Canadian Victory Loan, 1941" was presented to the Prime Minister by Mr. Ian Mackenzie, Canadian Minister of Pensions.

He also presented a scroll signed by the Governor-General of Canada, the Earl of Athlone, the Prime Minister of Canada, Mr. Mackenzie King, the Premiers of nine Canadian provinces and by other distinguished citizens who took part in the war loan campaign, pledging Canada's journey to the end of the road, no matter how long and toilsome.

He also gave the Prime Minister a letter from the chairman of the Canadian War Loan Commit-

tee. Mr. Winston Churchill, in acknowledging the gifts, said: "I am much affected by the kindness and the message you bring me, and by the emblem which has been carried so far overland, through the air and over the sea."

"It has come here to represent another impulse of the new effort which Canada is making in all these months and years of storm."

"I cannot thank you enough for all you have said about me which I shall labour to deserve without any expectation of achieving such high results."

"But at any rate in this old house and garden, which has for a hundred years been the centre from which the British Government has been conducted, in the sunshine of this afternoon when no enemy planes dare to come within the range of our fighting air force, I am proud to welcome here representatives of the Canadian forces and you yourself, and the Canadian Minister for Air who have come all this way to encourage us in our fight, and to add their own weighty contributions to assure us, if indeed assurance were needed, that Canada will continue to the end."

"The end may be far off, we cannot tell. It depends upon the enemy. How long that wicked man will torture and afflict nations, how often or in what direction he will set his murder machine in motion, we cannot tell."

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### Proud Welcome

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### Symbol Of Will

In presenting the Torch, the scroll and the letter to the Prime Minister, Mr. Ian Mackenzie said, "I have the honour of presenting, on behalf of the people of Canada, this Torch of Freedom and Victory to you. This Torch is the symbol of the will and devotion of our Canadian people. The Torch had been taken by a bomber 'plane through the great centres of the population of Canada."

After praising the Prime Minister's qualities as a leader, Mr. Mackenzie formally presented him with the Torch and the scroll. The Canadian Minister for Air, Mr. O. G. Power, who has recently arrived in this country, was present at the ceremony, as was also Mr. Vincent Massey, High Commissioner of Canada.

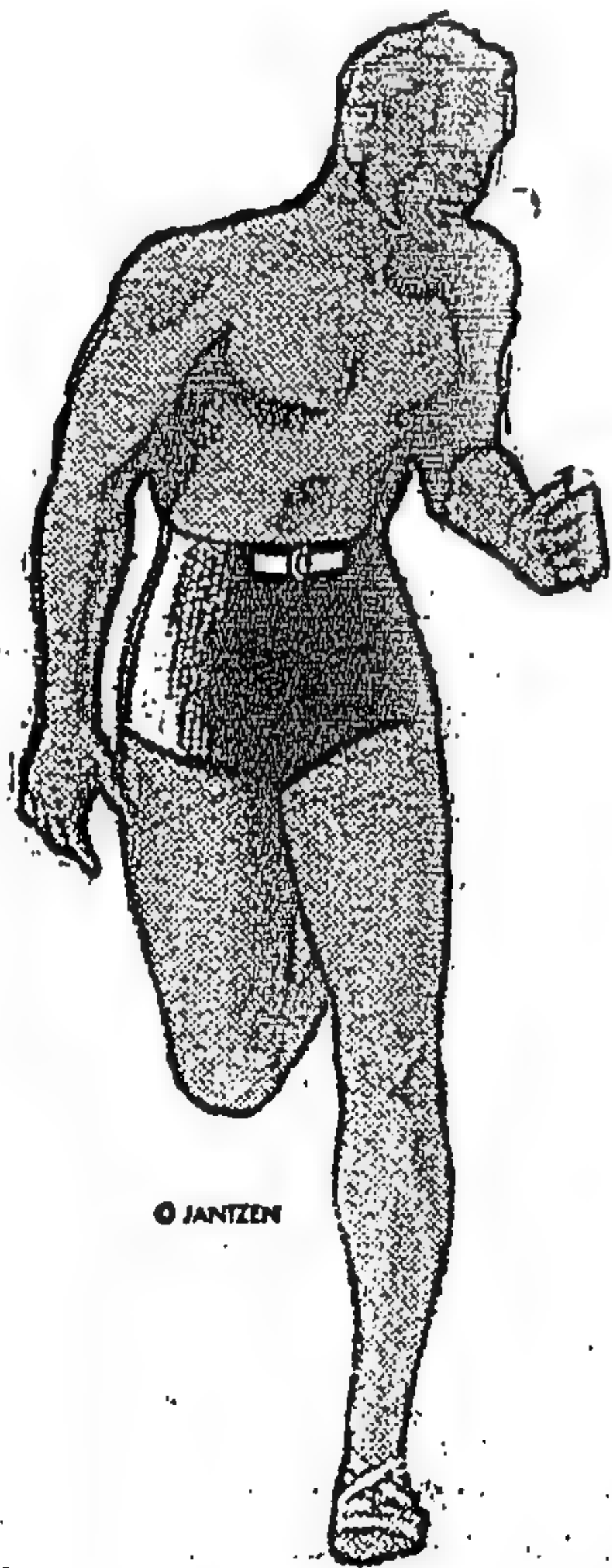
When the Torch was being displayed in the different towns in Canada, there were always present with it three representatives of the armed forces of Canada. For the afternoon's ceremony there were also three officers present, representing the three armed forces of Canada. They were Lieut. Stirling, Royal Canadian Navy; Lieut. Guilmette, 32nd Regiment—French Canadian; and Lieut. Stewart, Royal Canadian Air Force.—Reuter

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## GERMAN ADVANCE STEMMED Panzer Formations Halted In Minsk Sector

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF CONTROL OVER THE SITUATION IN THE MINSK SECTOR IS CLAIMED IN MOSCOW, WHICH DENIES THE GERMAN CLAIMS OF SWEEPING SUCCESSES ON ALL FRONTS, WHILE CONCEDED THAT THE GERMANS HAVE ACHIEVED SOME SUCCESS IN THE MURMANSK REGION AND HAVE CAPTURED THE FORTRESS OF LWOV (LEMBERG), THE "GATEWAY TO KIEV."

German gains in the Minsk sector, to the south of the city are also admitted, but it is stated that the main thrust of the German panzer columns has been stemmed.

M. Stalin, who has virtually taken over supreme command of the Red Army, in his first communique, emphasises that the Germans have suffered heavy losses in some intense fighting in the Minsk-Bobruisk sectors.

As the result of the tenacious defence of the Red Army, however, the German tank formations have been halted.

Occasional break-throughs have been swiftly countered by the hurling in of Russian mobile units which have broken up every attempt to exploit any temporary advantage.

Moscow also denies the Ger-

man claim to the capture of Ruga, stating that fighting is still in progress in the city, and along the Dvina River, at the mouth of which Riga stands.

### Parachute Troops

It was claimed in a Moscow Radio announcement last night that German parachute troops have been active in the Baltic States and in the Riga area. German parachutists who landed in the Baltic port of Paldiski were annihilated, after children spotters had made a report of the invaders. The parachutists were trying to set fire to factories and the radio station, and the reports add that Amazon battalions of women fighters in Estonia and Latvia have been formed to combat them, commanded by middle-aged Communists.

## BREAKS OFF RELATIONS

The Foreign Office in Chungking has cabled Mr. Chen Chieh, Chinese Ambassador to Berlin, and Mr. Hsu Tao lin, Chinese Charge d'Affaires in Rome, instructing the Chinese diplomatic representatives in Germany and Italy to return to China.

The Foreign Minister, Mr. Quo Tai-chi, will issue a statement to-day announcing the severance of relations with Germany and Italy, and the withdrawal of diplomatic and consular representatives. — Reuter.

## TYPHOON DAMAGE IN MACAO

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Houses collapsed, windows were shattered, trees uprooted, several junks overturned and a Portuguese sloop grounded at Macao on Monday during a typhoon gale which swept the Colony from Sunday night until yesterday morning.

His Excellency the Governor of Macao personally toured the Colony yesterday to obtain first hand knowledge of the damage suffered.

Several people have been admitted to hospital suffering from minor injuries but so far no reports of deaths have been made.

On Monday all communications in the Colony ceased, the streets being strewn with shattered glass, wood, branches of trees and other debris.

Many junks are believed to have been sunk. — Our Own Correspondent.

### Cheungchau Escapes

Our Cheungchau correspondent says that as far as can be ascertained none of the foreign houses were damaged in the typhoon to any extent, though trees and gardens are in a bad way. We have been cut off from the outer world, newspapers, letters and food supplies being absent, as the ferry did not make the trip. Even our telephone connection did not function. Ice was obtainable, as the supply for fish was not needed. We have not heard of any loss among the fishing fleet.

## Navy Inquiry Demanded

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

A motion, calling the Senate Naval Affairs Committee to investigate the "rumours" that the United States navy fought and sank a German naval craft, was introduced in the House of Senate by the Isolationist Senator Wheeler. — International News Service.

## SHANGHAI FIRE DISASTER

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Losses totalling a million Shanghai dollars are feared as the result of a fire in the International Savings Society godown which gutted the building despite a three-hour battle by the city's fire brigade. — International News Service.

## POSSIBLE JAPANESE VOLTE FACE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The London "Daily Sketch" says the Japanese Ambassador to Berlin has asked the German Foreign Minister for a definition of the Nazi aims in Russia and the Far East in the event of a Nazi conquest.

The paper says Japan is so nervous over the possibility of a Russian defeat that Tokyo may execute a "complete foreign policy somersault," and perhaps come closer to Washington. — International News Service.

## SOVIET SOLDIER PUTTING UP A GRAND SHOW

"THE SOVIET SOLDIER HAS OFTEN SHOWN A GREATER CONTEMPT FOR DEATH THAN HIS ADVERSARY DURING THE PRESENT FIGHTING," SAYS THE BERLIN CORRESPONDENT OF THE ZURICH NEWSPAPER, "NATIONAL ZEITUNG," QUOTING GERMAN PRESS REPORTS.

The correspondent adds: "His tenacity, combined with a certain fatalism, enables him to hold out until he is blown up together with his pillbox."

"The Russians have shown cleverness, as in the last war, in laying out fortifications, trenches and underground communications."

"The Russians often adopt ambush tactics formerly used in the civil war, consisting in allowing the first waves of an enemy attack to pass through, and then exposing it to cross fire between the first and second lines."

## JAPANESE POLICY TO BE DEFINED?

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

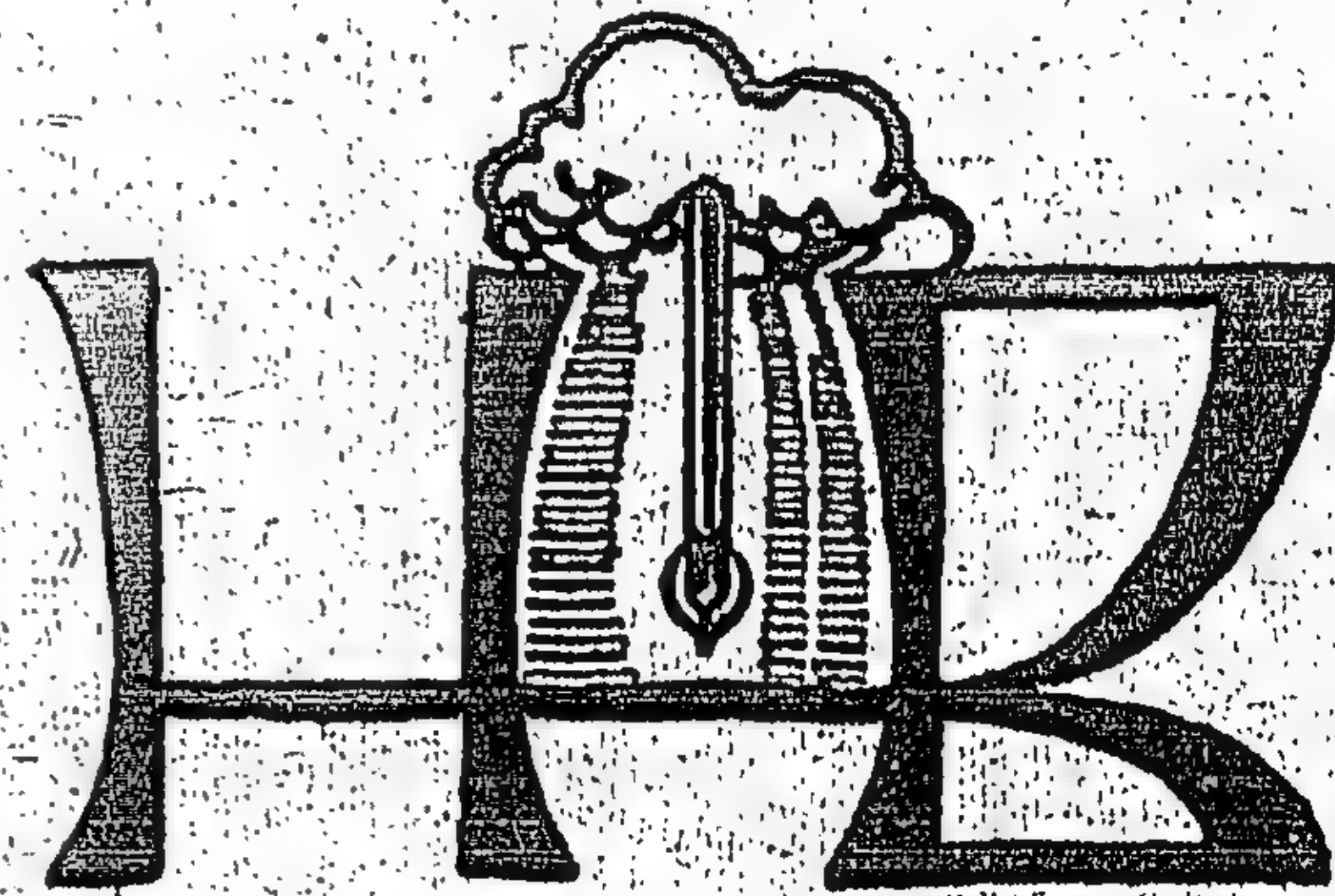
In London it is stated that Tokyo dispatches indicate that a new Japanese policy toward the Russo-German war will be announced to-morrow. — International News Service.

## Gen. Dentz' Home Bombed

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Extremely heavy British raids on Beirut, during which five were reported killed and the home of General Henri Dentz, French High Commissioner, was destroyed, are reported from Vichy. — International News Service.

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# Air Force Coup In Heavy Raid On Harbour At Tripoli

## VICHY ON SYRIAN CAMPAIGN

The following Vichy communique on the Syrian fighting was given on the German-controlled Paris Radio last night:—

"The principal efforts of the British troops continue to be directed on Palmyra and the coastal sector.

"In spite of violent bombing, our troops of the Palmyra garrison were able to maintain their positions. They repulsed the British attack inflicting considerable losses on the English.

Then the garrison effected a heavy attack on British positions. Many prisoners were taken and important war materials were seized.

"In the same sector, our heavy bombers attacked a group of armoured vehicles belonging to the enemy and destroyed much material. Three of our aircraft have not returned.

"In the Merdj Ayoun sector, there has been artillery activity. On the coast, casualties have been caused by the bombing of Beirut. The British Air Force has received numerous reinforcements within the last few days, and increased its attacks especially on our aerodromes."—Reuter.

## NEW GOVERNOR OF BARBADOS

Sir Henry Gratten Bushe, legal adviser to the Dominions Office and Colonial Office, has been appointed Governor of Barbados.

He will succeed Sir John Waddington who has been appointed Governor of Northern Rhodesia.—Reuter.

## Reinforcements Caught In Process Of Disembarkation

ACCORDING TO A Royal Air Force Middle East communique issued in Cairo yesterday, big Axis ships in Tripoli Harbour were severely damaged by the R.A.F. and many casualties were caused by R.A.F. aircraft when machine-gunning disembarking troops.

Seven Axis 'planes were destroyed by British fighters which were protecting British ships off the coast.

The communique adds:

"Tripoli: Bomber aircraft of the R.A.F. carried out a number of successful raids on the harbour at Tripoli. Several hits were obtained on enemy vessels. An enemy aerodrome in the same area was also attacked by our bombers. These bombs started fires among the dispersed enemy aircraft. At least five were destroyed while a large transport aircraft was destroyed by machine-gun fire.

### Malta Raid

"Malta: A number of Italian 'planes which approached Malta on Monday were intercepted by our fighters some miles out at sea. Two of the enemy were shot down and a number of others damaged.

"Cyrenaica: Fighters of the R.A.F. and South African Air Force, carrying out a covering patrol over our ships off the coast of Cyrenaica on Monday, drove off a number of enemy aircraft which attempted several attacks. During these engagements they shot down one German fighter, two German dive-bombers and

two Italian fighters and damaged several other German fighters.

"Syria: Raids were carried out on Monday on enemy aerodromes in Syria. At Aleppo, bombs fell on the centre of a runway and in front of hangars. At Palmyra, bombs were dropped and a number of twin-engined aircraft damaged.

### Numerous Casualties

Much damage was also done to buildings and numerous casualties inflicted. An attack was also carried out on Soueida where direct hits were obtained on military buildings. During the night of Sunday and Monday a heavy raid was made on the harbour and shipping at Beirut. Bombs were seen to burst on the central quay and northern mole and a number of fires were started.

"From all these operations two of our aircraft are missing."—Reuter.

### One Vessel Blown Up

It was officially announced in Cairo yesterday that the R.A.F. bombed Tripoli Harbour and hit several enemy vessels.

One vessel blew up and other large ships, including one of about 25,000 tons, were severely damaged.—Reuter.

### 20,000-Tonner Hit

Other large ships, including one of about 20,000 tons, were hit by several bombs and severely damaged. One of these was seen to be in a half-sunken condition.

An enemy aerodrome in the same area was also attacked by our bombers. Their bombs started fires amongst dispersed CR42's and other enemy aircraft.

At least five were destroyed, while a large transport aircraft was destroyed by machine-gun fire.

## Sweep Over The Channel

R.A.F. bombers, guarded by scores of fighters, crossed the Channel early last evening to continue their offensive over Northern France.

As they passed over a Kent town, some of them in the direction of Dunkirk, watchers lost count of the number of fighters roaring overhead.

Soon after the leading formation had passed out of sight, buildings on the English side of the Channel began to tremble with the crash of falling bombs on the French side of the water.—Reuter.

## EMPIRE AIR SCHEME PROGRESS

Major J. C. Power, Canadian Air Minister, who arrived in England yesterday from Canada, told a press conference in London, that the Empire Air training scheme was well ahead of schedule.

Major Power added that about 80 per cent of the original plan was now in operation.

There were about 115 training units.

From seven to 10 per cent of the air crews were United States citizens and American Civil pilots who were being used as instructors in bombing and gunnery.

The output of pilots was up to expectations and there was no shortage of air crew recruits.

The chief object of Major Power's mission, which will last about two weeks, is to discuss with Sir Archibald Sinclair, British Air Minister, administrative problems arising from the joint air training plans for Canada and Britain.—Reuter.

## LORD PARMOOR DIES AT 88

Lord Parmoor, father of Sir Stafford Cripps, British Ambassador in Moscow, died on Monday night aged 88. After many years as a member of Parliament, Lord Parmoor was Lord President of the Council in the first and second Labour Governments. — British Wireless.

## EXTENSIVE R.A.F. DAYLIGHT RAIDS ON GERMANY

AN EVEN MORE extensive daylight operation by British bombers over North-West Germany was announced by the Air Ministry in a communique issued last night.

The communique revealed that Oldenburg railway yard and the seaplane base at Borkum were among the objectives attacked.

"In daylight this (Tuesday) morning," says the statement, "Blenheim aircraft of the Coastal Command again flew over north-west Germany and bombed various objectives.

"In Oldenburg railway goods yard, to the south of the town, which was also attacked, a large fire was started. Barges on the canal in the neighbourhood were machine-gunned.

"Two British aircraft are missing from this operation.

"During the afternoon, heavy bombers operating off the Frisian Islands attacked the seaplane base at Borkum and bombs were seen to burst among the hangars and other buildings. Strong fighter opposition was encountered and one British bomber was shot down.

### Battle With Six

"One British bomber was unsuccessfully engaged by six fighters and beat off the attack after the rear gunner had been wounded and had been replaced by another member of the crew. One enemy fighter was shot down into the sea and several others were seen to be damaged.

"R.A.F. fighters carried out offensive patrols over northern France during the early afternoon without incident. This evening a large offensive sweep took place on which reports are not yet available."—Reuter.

### ALEXANDRIA RAID

The Egyptian Ministry of the Interior states that Alexandria was raided early yesterday morning. Bombs caused four casualties, one of them fatal. There was slight damage to property.—Reuter.

## CARRYING WAR INTO AXIS CAMP

Carrying the air war into Axis camps throughout the Middle East as well as over France, British aircraft yesterday added to their tally 15 Axis machines with the loss of two.

This was only one day's score in the long list of shattering blows which British pilots have struck at the Axis air strength in the Middle East since the beginning of the year.

Straffings in the air and on the ground, according to official figures, have resulted in the destruction of 1,453 Axis machines against 68 Imperial aircraft lost.

The enemy losses included 505 Vichy machines of which 210 were accounted for in June.

Yesterday's R.A.F. communique also reported severe damage to Axis shipping, seaplanes and troops in Tripoli Harbour.—Reuter.



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# GEN. WAVELL CHANGES POSTS

## Gen. Auchinleck For Middle East Command

### Member Of War Cabinet For Cairo

GENERAL SIR ARCHIBALD WAVELL IS BEING TRANSFERRED FROM CAIRO TO BECOME COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF, INDIA, AND GENERAL SIR CLAUDE AUCHINLECK IS TAKING OVER THE MIDDLE EAST COMMAND.

This unexpected change in Army commands was revealed in two announcements issued by Mr. Churchill from No. 10, Downing Street, last night, the second of which disclosed the appointment of Mr. Oliver Lyttelton (formerly President of the Board of Trade) to represent the War Cabinet in the Middle East.

"It is understood that these are wartime appointments, the duration of which depends upon the military situation."

The announcement concerning Mr. Lyttelton said: "His Majesty has been pleased to approve the appointment of the Rt. Honourable Oliver Lyttelton to be a Minister of State. Mr. Lyttelton will be a member of the War Cabinet and will represent the War Cabinet in the Middle East, where he will concert of their behalf the measures necessary for the prosecution of the war in that theatre and the conduct of military operations."

#### New Chief

General Sir Claude Auchinleck, the new Commander-in-Chief, Middle East, was in command of the Allied forces which captured Narvik in the Norwegian campaign.

He has a high reputation for highness in outlook and vigour in action. Born in 1884, he became C. in C., India, early this year.

He began his army career in India in 1904 and it was so marked with distinction that he was soon spoken of as a future supreme commander of the Army in India.

An expedition against rebellious North-West Frontier tribesmen which he led in 1935 is regarded as one of the best executed minor campaigns in the history of the North-West Frontier.

He served in Egypt, Aden, Iraq and Southern Afghanistan during the Great War. Before going to India as C-in-C, this year, he was G.O.C. in Chief of the Southern Command in England and was in charge of the strengthening of the defences on the southern coast.

#### Wavell And Russia

General Sir Archibald Wavell, regarded by the Germans as Britain's No. 1 general, whose brilliant strategy has met with such outstanding success in North Africa and the Middle East, has had complete authority in the Middle East land operations for 12 months.

A quick thinker, a shrewd judge of men, and a great leader, General Wavell knows Russia as well as he knows Africa. He was in Russia as Military Attaché before the Revolution and he has been there several times since. On the last occasion, his despatches home contained high approval of the Red Army's infiltration tactics by parachute.—Reuter.

### BIG DRIVE TO BUILD BOMBERS

AMERICAN PLANE BUILDERS ARE POOLING THEIR RESOURCES TO GIVE UNITED STATES AND BRITAIN AN UNPRECEDENTED FLEET OF LONG RANGE FOUR-ENGINE HEAVY BOMBERS REACHING 500 A. MONTH. THE AMERICAN AERONAUTICAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN LOS ANGELES ANNOUNCED YESTERDAY.

Colonel John Jouett, President of the Chamber said that these planes could convey shipping from America to Britain.

The Boeing organisation of Seattle, the Douglas of Santa Monica, California, and the Vega of Burbank, California, have agreed on cooperative production of Boeing B-17 bombers.—Reuter.

### FRENCH MISSION TO TURKEY

Ankara Radio announced last night that President Inönü yesterday received M. Benoist Machin, French Minister without Portfolio, who is on a mission to the Turkish capital.

The announcer said that the French Minister was the bearer of a friendly letter from Marshal Petain.

M. Sarajoglu, Turkish Foreign Minister, and the French Charge d'Affaires were present at the interview.—Reuter.

### TWO MORE ITALIAN GENERALS

A communique issued in Cairo states: Following the occupation of Ghimbi in Abyssinia on June 27, in addition to General Bertello, General Nam and Brigadier Tosi surrendered with 245 Italian officers, 194 Italian other ranks and 841 Askaris. Captured material included six field guns. — British Wireless.

## BRITISH BUDGET POLICY IN A NUTSHELL

THE BRITISH Government's fiscal policy was yesterday put in a nutshell by Sir Kingsley Wood, Chancellor of the Exchequer, speaking on the third reading of the Budget in the House of Commons.

He asked the House to regard the Budget as an integral feature of the Government's economic policy, which finds expression also in the limitation of supplies, concentration of industry, the rationing of food and clothing, and price control.

"The question is not whether we can finance the war, but whether we shall conduct it in the manner calculated to combat inflation and thus avoid the severest of hardships on all classes."

"It is my desire and intention resolutely to fight against inflation."

"The current rate of taxation has been fixed, but to deal with the inflation gap, we must look to an increase in the rate of genuine saving."

#### Rigid Economy

Sir Kingsley Wood continued: "The policy of genuine savings must be related to rigid economy in private affairs, drastic curtailment of civilian consumption. Every penny saved and lent to the nation is an extra contribution to victory."

The third reading was adopted without a division.—Reuter.

#### Boost In Revenue

As the Finance Bill passed its third reading, Exchequer returns showed that in the first three months of the financial year, total

revenue amounted to £319,157,988 as compared with £188,169,450 in the corresponding period of last year.

Income tax reached £79,597,999 against £23,299,000, while Excess Profits Tax realised £40,595,000 against £6,660,000.

During the debate, Mr. Pethick Lawrence described the Budget and what the Chancellor had done as "typically British."

"Here we are," he continued, "taking burdens and taxation and conditions existing which were unimaginable a few years back, not with gloom and despair but with a smile and a welcome to the Chancellor who is castigating us in this violent manner."

Replying to the debate, the Chancellor of the Exchequer said that looking back on the Budget he could not help feeling astonishment at the manner in which the burdens imposed had been accepted.

His object had been to deal fairly with the community in sharing the burden of taxation. It was probably the realisation of that fact which accounted for the general acceptance.—British Wireless.

### MAKES NO DIFFERENCE TO U.S.

Mr. Sumner Welles, at a press conference in Washington yesterday, said that the formal recognition by Germany and Italy of the Japanese puppet government at Nanking makes no change whatever in the relations of the United States with China and Japan. — Reuter.

### RUSSIA'S REQUEST OF U.S.

MR. SUMNER WELLES, ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE, DISCLOSED TO-DAY THAT RUSSIA HAD MADE THE FIRST OVERTURES TO THE UNITED STATES FOR SUPPLIES.

M. Oumansky, Soviet Ambassador to Washington, conferred with Mr. Sumner Welles yesterday on the placing of orders for materials for Russia.

Mr. Welles said that the request had been forwarded to other interested government departments but he declined to give details regarding the materials wanted, explaining that the information could not be given as Russia was a belligerent.—Reuter.

#### SOVIET INTERESTS

Italian interests in the Soviet will be attended to by Japan, and Soviet interests in Italy will be attended to by Sweden, says the Swiss Radio quoted by Reuter.

### Wang Returns Thanks

The Axis de jure recognition of the Japanese-sponsored government at Nanking, was officially communicated by cable from Herr Ribbentrop on behalf of Hitler, and by Count Ciano, on behalf of Mussolini, congratulating "Prime Minister" Wang Ching-wei "on the healthy growth of the new government of China."

Wang Ching-wei described the Axis act as a great contribution to world peace.


He said his Government would strive to create a sphere of prosperity in East Asia in cooperation with Japan and other nations in the Far East as a contribution to a new world order.

Early mutual appointments of Ambassadors is expected.—Reuter.

### MOSCOW APPEAL TO DOCTORS

Among the appeals made by the Moscow radio last night was one for increased numbers of medical men and women to ensure that the great length of the fighting front would have adequate medical provision.

Many women students have already volunteered. Another exhortation was addressed to all Red soldiers to keenly watch for German soldiers wearing Red Army uniforms. They were warned that they were fighting a foe who would try every dastardly trick.—Reuter.



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# GENERAL CATROUX'S OFFER TO ARABS OF DAMASCUS

**THE SYRIAN GOVERNMENT** has published a letter from General Catroux, leader of the Free French forces in Syria, addressed to the Syrian Prime Minister, which confirms the results reached during the discussions on the different aspects of Syria's independence.

According to the war correspondent in Syria, of Free French Headquarters, the outstanding points of Catroux's letter were that a treaty will be signed on a basis of equality guaranteeing the sovereignty and independence of Syria, and defining the basis and conditions of Franco-Syrian collaboration.

General Catroux's letter undertakes that the Syrian people will have the freedom to frame their constitution according to their own desires and to that end will call the men they think best to manage national interests and meet the nation's desires.

Free France is naturally anxious to hasten the attainment of this end as soon as the whole of the French territories actually in the Levant have been delivered from the mandate regime by Allied occupation of the whole country.

General Catroux asks that he be permitted to govern for the time being with the same authority and rights which were possessed by your government on June 20, 1941.

Such a mission would end as soon as the whole of Syria has been occupied by the Allies. — Reuter.

## BOMBING OF FRENCH FACTORIES

**"OUR FRENCH PEOPLE WORKING IN FACTORIES ARE NOT THE LEAST ANGRY WITH THE R.A.F. BOMBING THE PLANTS—THEY REALLY INVITE IT AND HOPE TO SEE THE BLOCKADE CONTINUED."** SAID M. HENRI HAUCK, LABOUR ADVISER TO GENERAL DE GAULLE, SPEAKING AT SHEFFIELD YESTERDAY.

M. Hauck explained that these people had to work for the Germans, but inwardly felt that they would rather starve now and be free later than starve for the rest of their lives.

Though France seemed to be out of the war, she has a better Fifth Column than Hitler's; "underground activities" were growing daily and sabotage is being carried out in factories. — Reuter.

## SPEED-UP ON N.Z. WATERFRONT

Adoption of three shifts daily on New Zealand's waterfronts has resulted in a 25% speed-up in the handling of ships carrying produce to England, stated Mr. Nash, acting Prime Minister, in a speech in Wellington yesterday.

Mr. Nash emphasized the need for increased cheese production to reach the goal of 160,000 tons for Britain during the coming season. The change-over from butter production to cheese-making was costing the Government £380,000 for one season. — Reuter.

## RETURN TO ANKARA

The Soviet Ambassador to Turkey, M. Vinogradov, returned to Ankara yesterday by air from Moscow. — Reuter.

## BOMBAY HIT BY GALE

**AN UNPRECEDENTED BREAKDOWN OF TELEGRAPHIC AND TELEPHONIC COMMUNICATION BETWEEN BOMBAY AND ALL THE PRINCIPAL CITIES OF INDIA, AND THE ALMOST COMPLETE PARALYSIS OF RAIL TRAFFIC FROM BOMBAY, FOLLOWED THE HEAVIEST RAINFALL EXPERIENCED BY BOMBAY AND THE SURROUNDING AREAS DURING THE PRESENT MONSOON.**

Rain which fell for 36 hours was accompanied by cyclonic conditions.

Over 15 inches of rain fell in Western Ghats, near Bombay, resulting in heavy floods near one of Bombay's suburban junctions from which all rail traffic branches off throughout India. This caused breaches at two points and there was considerable dislocation of traffic.

Bombay's terminus was crowded with passengers whose trains have been cancelled. — Reuter.

## SIEGE OF PALMYRA

"The situation in Palmyra is considered satisfactory," declared military circles in Cairo last night. It was revealed that the light British investing forces which completed the encirclement of the town on Monday were "now being reinforced." — Reuter.

## ALLIED AID IN SYRIA

A sharp drop in the cost of living is following the Allies wherever they penetrate in Syria.

Prompt arrival of food supplies from Palestine, notably wheat, sugar and rice, caused a drop in prices to a vastly lower level than that prevailing previously when there was an acute shortage, particularly in the Damascus area.

The position in Damascus was so bad that only one day's supply of wheat remained when the Allies entered the city but supplies were rushed up within 24 hours.

In the occupied coastal areas, stocks of benzine and kerosene, which were commandeered by the Vichy authorities, prior to the withdrawal, were quickly replenished from Palestine.

Extensive arrangements are being organised for further relief. — Reuter.

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# Hyderabad Trophy Of War: Loyalty Reaffirmed

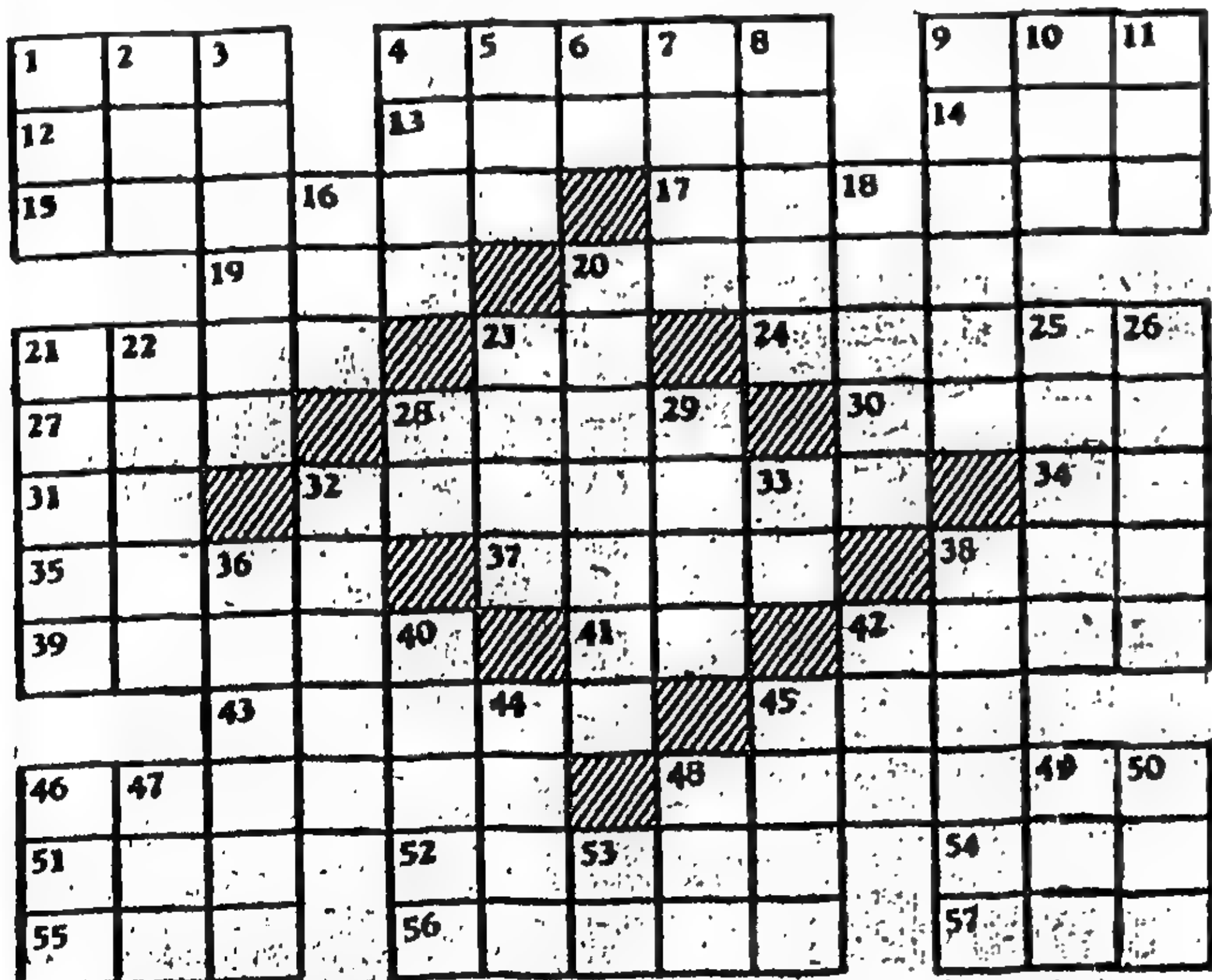
THIS TROPHY, WHICH only a short time ago formed part of the Nazi war machine, typifies the relentless savagery which has spared neither church nor mosque, neither hospital nor ambulances. It symbolises aggression based on the super-broken word.

These were the words of Sir Akbar Hydari, President of the Council of the Nizam's Government, when he opened an exhibition at Deccan of a Nazi fighter plane brought down by the Hyderabad squadron.

Sir Hydari said: "Never in our history have we been closer to danger such as that which now threatens our most cherished ideals and inspirations." He added: "Each anna we subscribe and each man who offers himself for military duty or for work in the factories is a contribution towards the defence of our Motherland. It is also an assurance of the future. It will not only

help to defeat the enemy outside our gates but will be a gain for our men, will strengthen our sinews and reconstruct and expand industries. It will show the people of Britain and the world that in the war against treachery we have honoured our sovereign's pledge of more than 108 years ago and proved the value of our faithful alliance."—Reuter.

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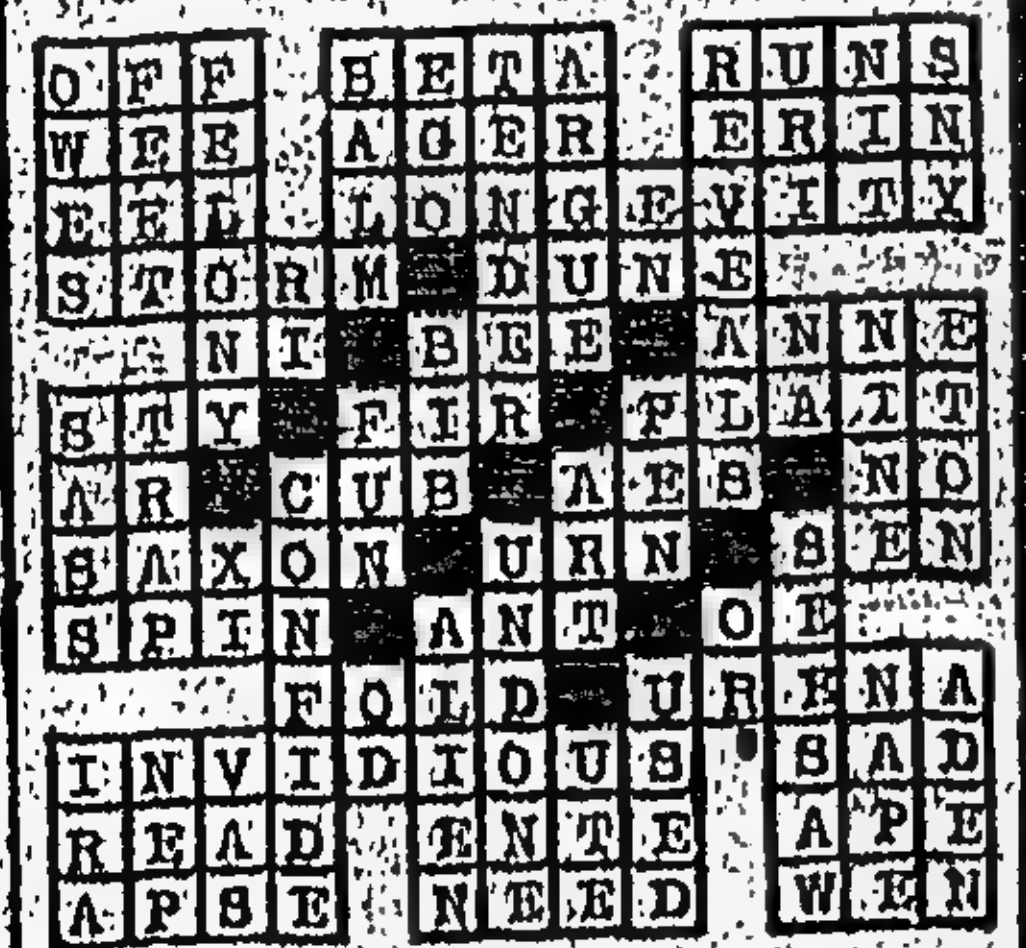
**HORIZONTAL**  
1 To recede  
4 To begin  
9 Social insect  
12 Tibetan gazelle  
13 Coniferous tree  
14 Crude metal  
15 Liquid measure

40 Plundered  
48 Dominion  
51 Nocturnal bird  
52 Scandinavian  
54 Definite article  
55 Mound  
56 To expunge  
57 Vast age

**VERTICAL**  
1 Ovary  
2 Large snake  
3 Discoverer of the Pacific  
4 Flat-bottomed boat  
5 Numeral  
6 Paid notice  
7 Uncommon  
8 Stale

9 Stock exchange  
10 Epoch  
11 Snake-like fish  
16 To chop  
18 Rigid  
20 To annoy  
21 Wooden shoe  
22 At that place  
23 Breaks explosively  
25 Beneath  
26 Englestone  
28 French article  
29 To fatigue  
32 Gem weight  
33 Brother of Odin  
36 To wheedle  
38 Mannerly  
40 Division of an act  
42 Dandy  
44 Aroma  
45 Pittal duck  
46 Nephew of Abraham  
47 To be obliged to  
48 Worm  
49 Greek letter  
50 Poetic nightfall  
53 Hawk-headed deity

### YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



## NAZI SEAMEN PRISONERS LANDED

According to agency messages, more than 200 Nazi sailors captured in the Atlantic were landed at a British port early yesterday.

The prisoners are believed to be survivors of the supply ships which attended the Bismarck. — British Wireless.

## U.S. DEMAND ON NAZIS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") It is learned from State Department quarters in Washington that the United States has demanded from the German Government more than a million dollars in compensation for the sinking of the Robin Moor.

This represents the approximate value of the ship at the time she was torpedoed, and between U.S. \$800,000 indemnity for American passengers and an average of 300 members of the crew. Since no American lives were lost, the claim is made only for losses of personal effects and the ship itself, and American-owned cargo. It is presumed that the damages claimed will be drawn from the German Government's frozen assets. It is pointed out that though the ship is old it is nonetheless valuable in the face of the shortage of merchantmen, and experts have conceded that the vessel would fetch top price now in the maritime market.—International News Service.

### BRIBERY CHARGE

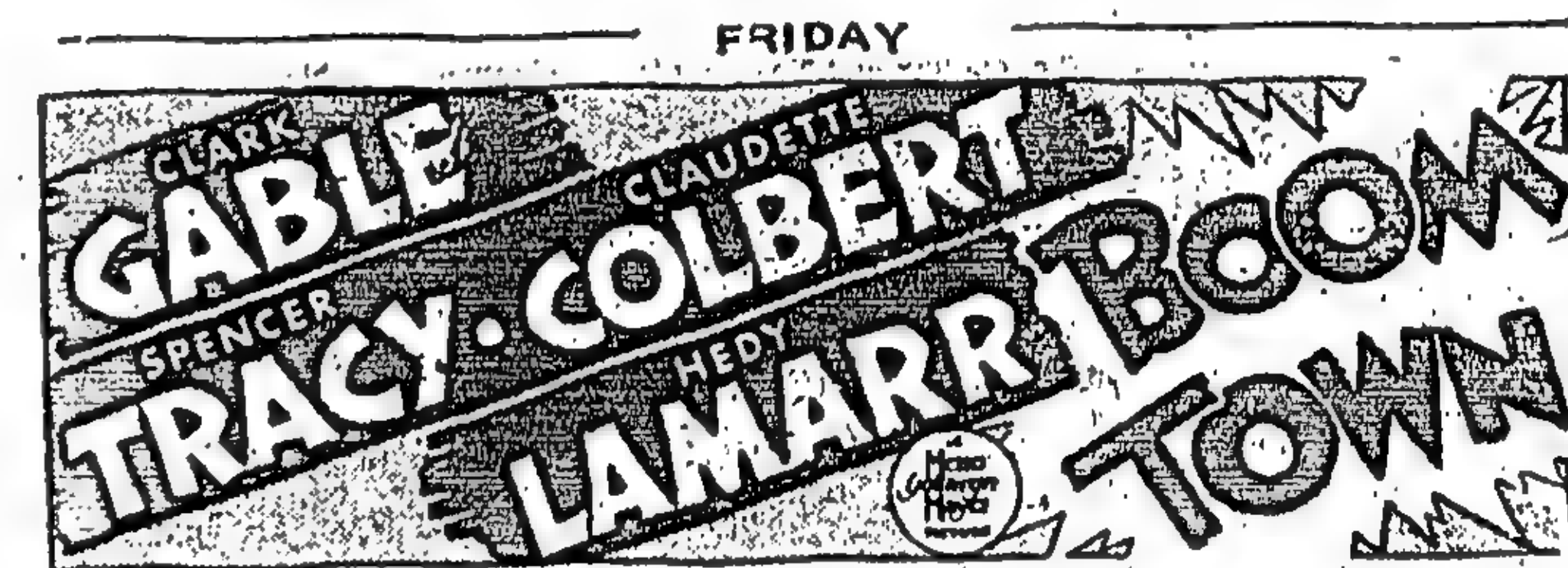
For accepting a bribe of \$7, a section of the Sanitary Department was fined \$100, or two months' hard labour, by Mr. G. T. Lowry at the Central Magistracy this morning.

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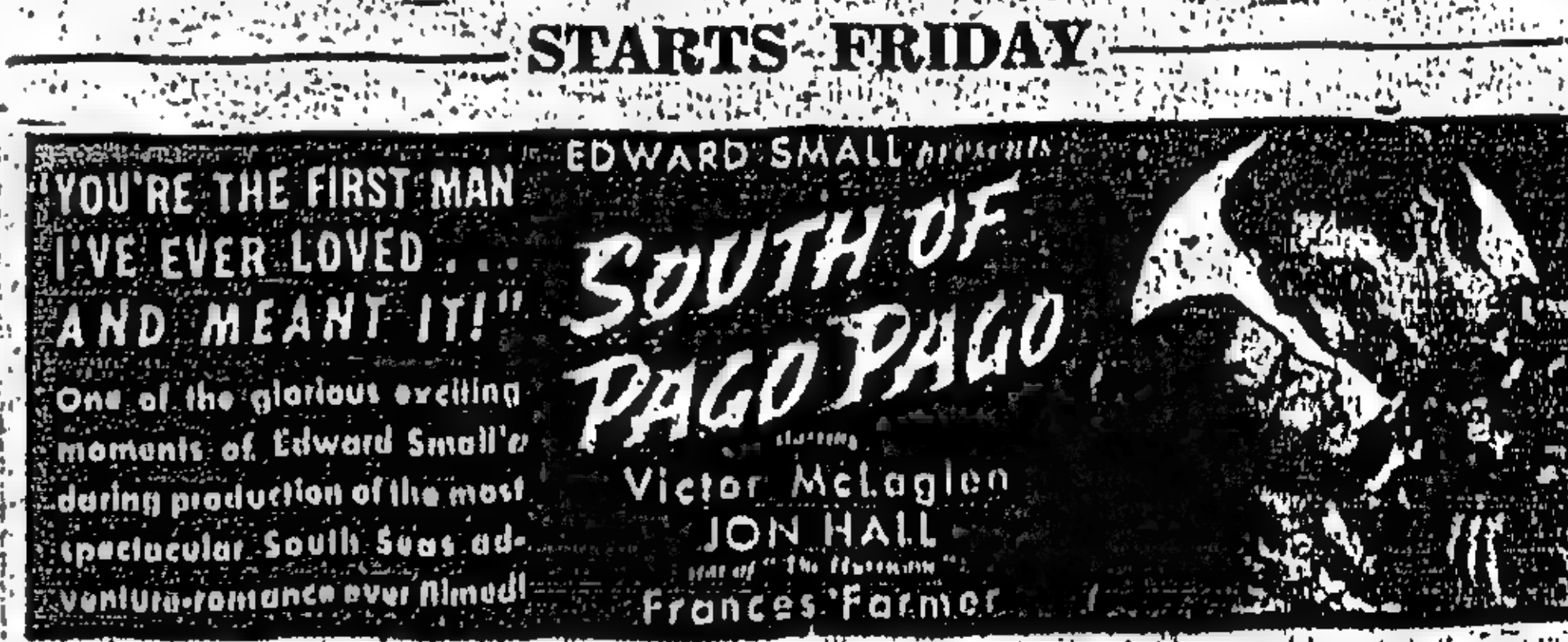
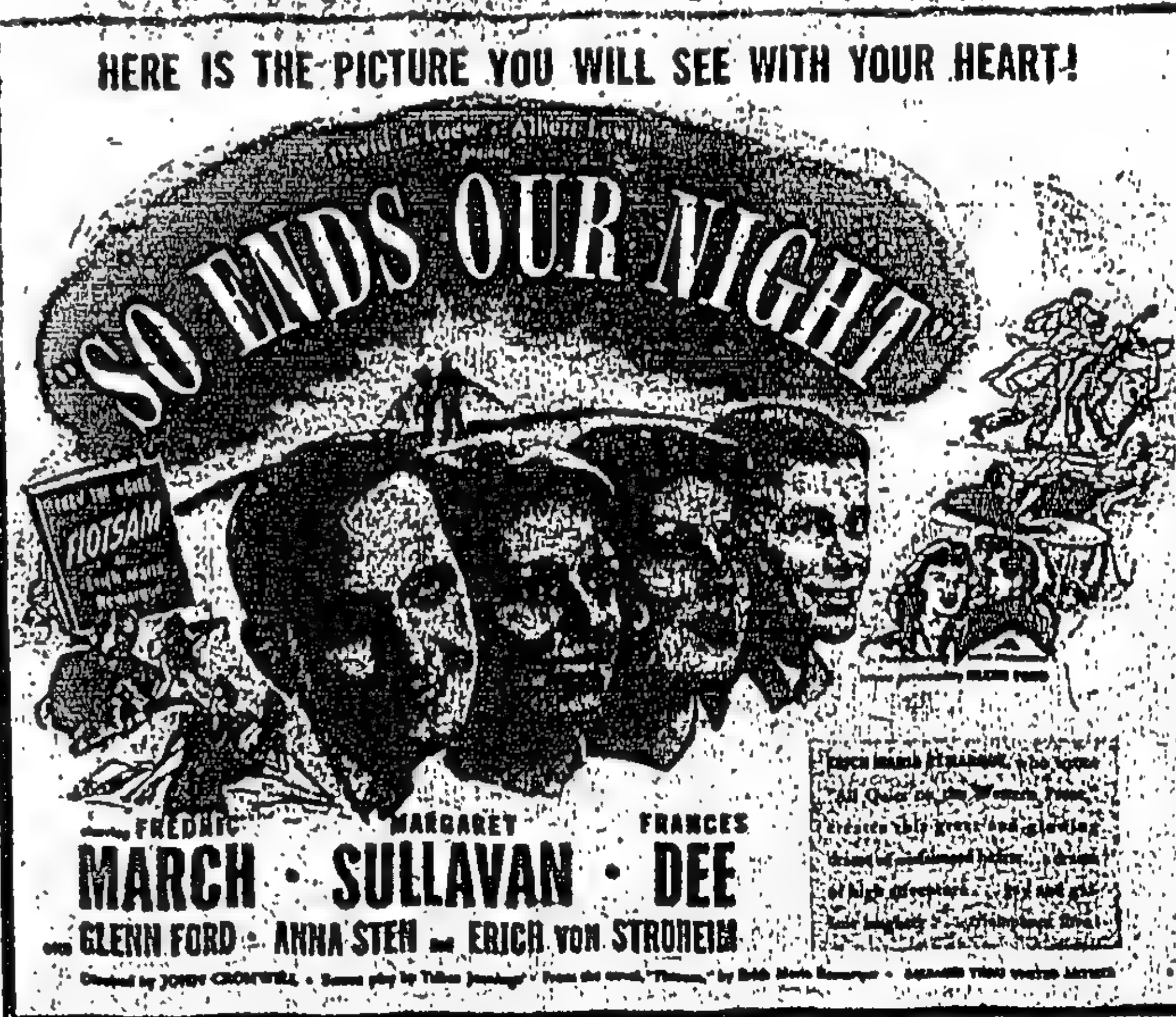
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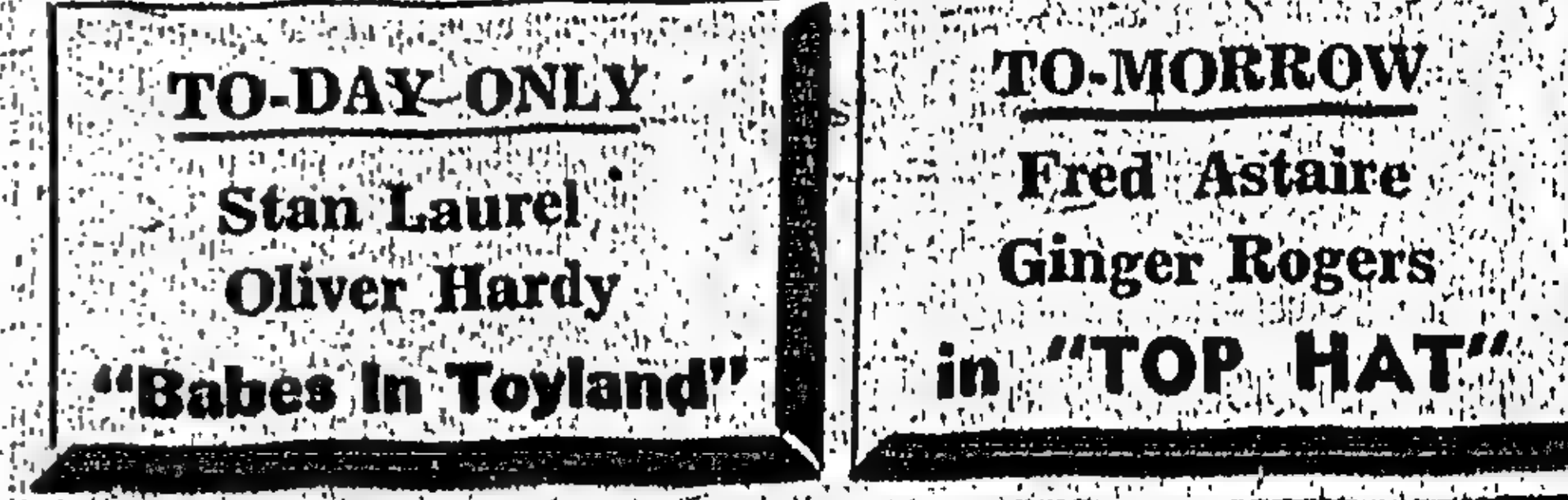


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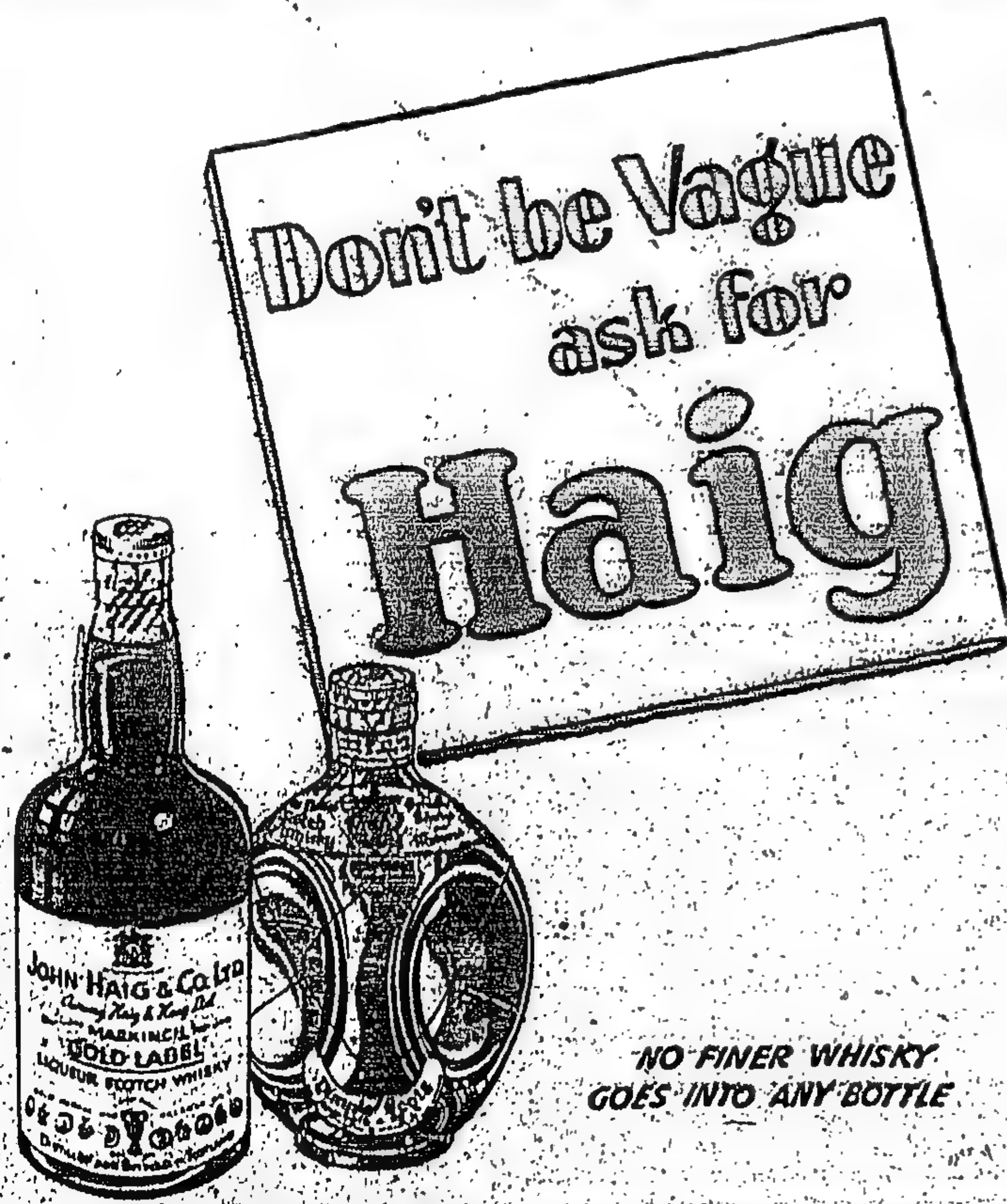
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# PARACHUTISTS USED IN BIG MOCK BATTLE

PARACHUTE TROOPS played a notable part in the surprise tactics characterising a four-day mock battle which has just recently ended, and in which 40,000 of Britain's finest troops, operating over hundreds of miles of Southern England, demonstrated the Army's fitness to undertake any task.

After this great military exercise had been reviewed, it was discovered that, as so often happens in war, a minor incident in the first hour of battle gave one side a big advantage. This was the capture of a motor-cycle despatch rider.

Driving through darkness and rain the rider missed a turning and fell into "enemy" hands. When interrogated, he was noticed to be fumbling in his pockets, from which scores of pieces of torn and crumpled paper were taken.

For seven hours through the night intelligence officers worked on the jigsaw puzzle of those scraps until the secret was laid bare.

Pieced together, the jigsaw proved to be the complete details, with map, of the defending forces' plans and tactics.

There was one moment of reality in this mimic warfare. A plane appeared through a cloud gap and a stream of machine-gun bullets tore the earth.

A German, cloud-hopping, had strayed into the area, and for a couple of seconds real bullets flew until the enemy scurried for home.

### Soldiers Tough

Afterwards the corps commander summed up the lessons of the battle:

"To beat Germany we must have hardened soldiers, able to fight whatever the weather or conditions. My men have been going for nearly a week and have done well; they are tough.

"The element of surprise is of the utmost importance. Individual initiative has been good."

To distinguish between the two armies one side wore steel helmets and the other cloth caps.

The Parachutists were used by the "tin hats." At a critical moment twin-engined planes appeared and in a few seconds the "paratroops" were on the ground. They cast off their parachutes and vanished into the countryside.

An officer who, incidentally, had nothing to do with it at all found himself confronted by three burly "paratroops." There was a quick blow with a fist, and the parachutists were driving his car away.

Telephone lines were cut and explosions rang out as this new branch of Britain's armed forces got to work.

## SAVING SPACE IN SHIPS

Carcasses of mutton and lamb sent to Britain from overseas are "telescoped" to save shipping space. Major Lloyd George, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Food, stated in a written Parliamentary answer.

This method of using the space within the carcasses and of filling the refrigerators of the ships to capacity has been in operation since the early days of the war.

Major Lloyd George also disclosed that the entire boning-out capacity of the packing plants in the South American meat producing countries and the Dominions is now being used, another means of saving shipping space. Large purchases of canned beef had also been made.

### SWEDISH AID TO FINLAND

Sweden having decided not to raise a volunteer force for the war against Soviet Russia, Swedish volunteers will be attached to the Finnish formations, states the Finnish radio.—Reuter.

## LOCAL OFFICERS HONOURED

The following awards on the occasion of the Birthday of His Majesty The King were notified in the "London Gazette" yesterday:—

To be a Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire:—Brigadier J. T. W. Reeve, D.S.O., Commander, Hong Kong Infantry Brigade.

To be an Officer of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire:—Lieutenant Colonel H. de L. Panet, late Commander, Royal Engineers, Hong Kong.

## REPARATION DEMAND

The United States are demanding one million dollars, reparation for the recent sinking of the American ship Robin Moor by a German submarine, according to a Washington telegram to the "Journal-American."

Senator Walsh is asking Senator Knox to answer the charges made by Senator Wheeler that the United States is sinking submarines, say the same correspondent.—Reuter.

## EVIDENCE OF BRITISH STRENGTH

Reviewing the events of June in the Mediterranean area, the well-known Swedish military expert, Colonel Bratt, singles out General Wavell's simultaneous mechanised attack in Cyrenaica and the offensive in Syria.

The Colonel says that it must be admitted that it was highly original thus to strike in two directions at once; this is evidence of British strength.—Reuter.

## 3 WHO SHOT DOWN 24

Three R.A.F. sergeants, who between them have destroyed more than 24 German planes, were honoured by the King at a recent investiture.

Sgt. D. McKay, D.F.M. and Bar, shot down 12 planes himself, and with four other fighter pilot destroyed a 13th. Sgt. E. Thörn and Sgt. F. Barker—Bar to the D.F.M. each—shot down from a Defiant 12 planes in one afternoon.

## M.P.'S AND SEA WAR

A background talk on the war at sea was given to the 1922 Committee of Conservative M.P.'s at the House of Commons recently by Mr. Francis McMurtrie, the Naval Correspondent of "The Daily Telegraph." His talk dealt with the naval position and the prospects for the coming months in the Atlantic, the Mediterranean and the Far East.

## 'SAT. EVE. POST' TO DROP ITS ISOLATIONIST POLICY

Walter D. Fuller, president of the National Association of Manufacturers and of the Curtis Publishing Company, said in an interview:

"I have been consistently an isolationist. So has the Saturday Evening Post—although that policy will change next week.

"But we are in war now. We are like a man who has jumped off a springboard and has not yet touched the water. He isn't wet, but he hasn't a chance of getting back on the springboard again."

## NEW G.O.C. FOR HONG KONG

It is announced from Command H.Q. that for some time past Major-General A. E. Grasett, C.B., D.S.O., M.C., has been required for an appointment in the United Kingdom and arrangements have just been completed for his relief by Major-General C. M. Maltby, M.C.

Major-General Maltby has had long experience both in Command and on the Staff in India and elsewhere and is at present commanding an important division in India.

Major-General Maltby will be arriving in Hong Kong in the near future.

## BULGARIAN WATERS MINED

The Bulgarian Army Command announced yesterday that Bulgarian territorial waters on the Black Sea will be mined to-day at noon, according to the official German News Agency in Berlin.

Foreign vessels will be able to use the territorial waters until 6 a.m. to-day, after which permission to enter these waters must be obtained 12 hours in advance.—Reuter.

## MAHRATTA L.I.'S ACHIEVEMENTS

THE FIFTH MAHRATTA LIGHT INFANTRY TOOK A PROMINENT PART IN THE FIGHTING IN ERITREA, PARTICULARLY AT K'ER EN, STATES A PRESS NOTE, ISSUED IN SIMLA YESTERDAY.

At Ummhaagar, they participated in a little campaign all on their own following up a retreating garrison and capturing prisoners and equipment.

Up to date the regiment has received one Bar to the D.S.O., one D.S.O., four M.C.'s, five I.O.M.'s, and two I.D.S.M.'s.—Reuter.



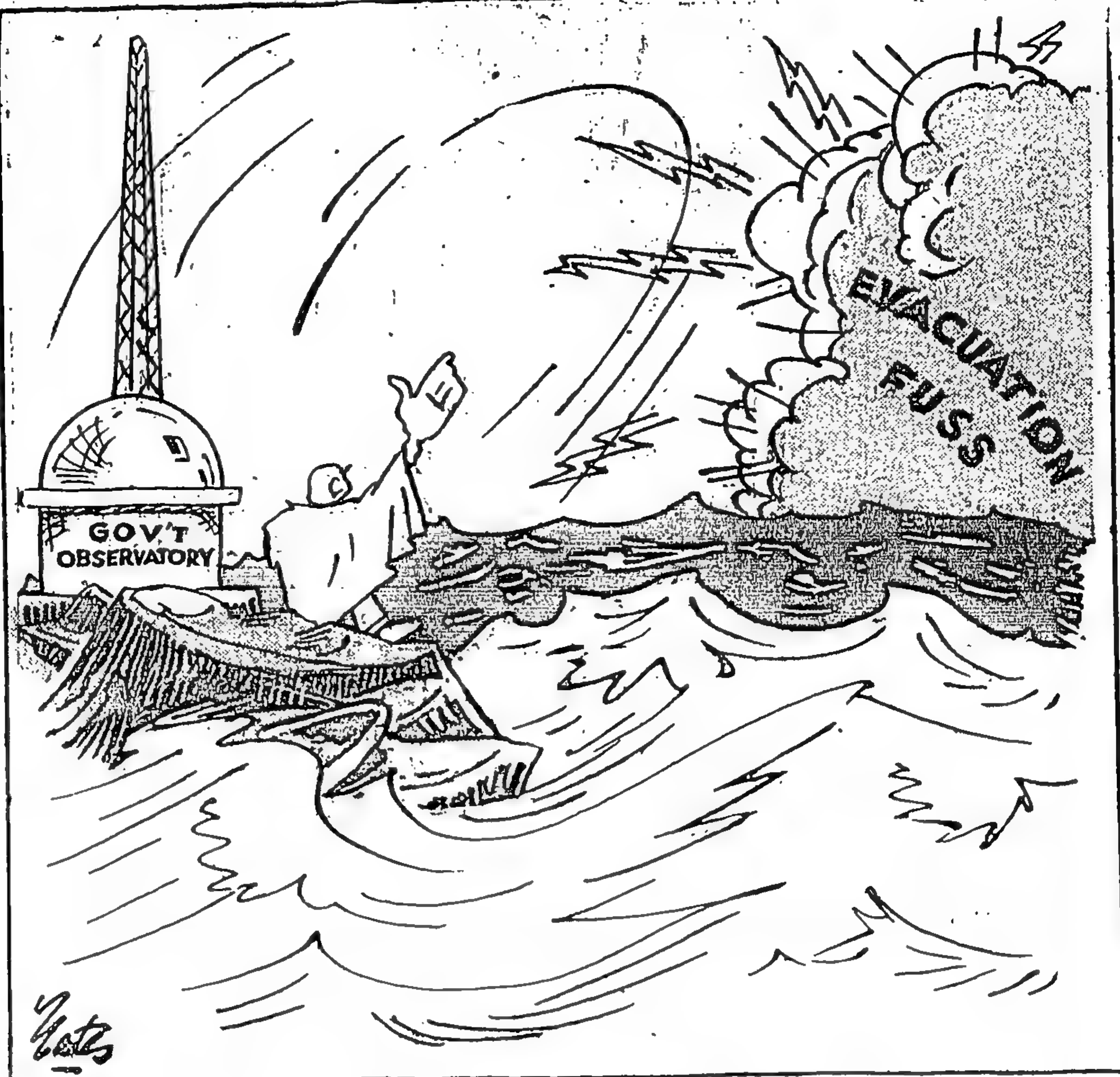
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## AMERICAN REACTIONS

The German invasion of Russia and the possible appearance of Hitler's hordes on the Bering Sea is being watched with great anxiety in the United States. The attack renders more acute the dangers to the Western Hemisphere which American strategists have always feared. In event of a Hitler success, nothing is more likely than the entry of Spain, active or passive, on the Axis side which would put her Atlantic possessions at the disposal of the Nazis for the extension of the Battle of the Atlantic. With the increasing supineness of Vichy the offensive use of Dakar and Casablanca becomes another possibility. The physical threat to the United States looms larger.

There is, too, the danger on the East and the possibility that, should Hitler's gains become big enough, Japan would be encouraged to embroil herself in a piratical descent on the East Indies or upon the Maritime Provinces of Siberia. The American reaction to the Russo-Japanese pact has been shrewd and sceptical. It is this kind of broad consideration that led President Roosevelt to declare so somberly the other day that the American public does not yet appreciate the extreme seriousness of the war and its implications concerning life in the United States. At the same time American commentators are almost unanimous in reporting that the people are ripe for a new decisive exercise of leadership. The recent setbacks to Britain in the Mediterranean have bewildered them. They are angry at the Nazi advances; they want American aid to be more prompt and sure, but they are also rather more open to isolationist and appeasement influence. Any setback to Britain is food for the Lindberghs and Wheelers, who are always saying that the battle is already won and all that remains is to retire behind American barriers. But again the commentators agree that the President, with his immense sagacity, will at the proper time resolve latent doubts and disquiets and canalise the mass feeling of Americans in decisive action.

At the moment, the



"STATIONARY OR VERY SLOW."

## The Lesson Of The Occupied Countries

Recently, for two days the House of Commons debated the conduct of the war. Exactly a year before it had and a two-day debate on the same subject. In each case the majority of the speeches were critical.

But there was this all-important difference. A year ago, members wanted the Prime Minister — Mr. Chamberlain — to go; now every member wants the Prime Minister — Mr. Churchill — to stay! There is a certain amount of disquiet, as is inevitable, because the war faces us every day with new problems and there must be a time-lag between their appearance and their solution. In foreign policy there is a reluctance to adopt ruthless methods, and to coordinate diplomacy with propaganda. In home policy there is a reluctance to break down the barriers between local and national government — barriers similar on their smaller scale to those which exist in the United States between state and federal legislatures, and which so hampered the war against the earlier and lesser gangsters of Chicago.

But a few hours before we met in the House of Commons, the Nazi deputies had met in the Reichstag. We criticised, with moderation and probably with effect; the Nazis clicked

their heels and shouted "Heil." The advantage of the latter system is obvious in the earlier stages of a war, but as war-weariness grows there must surely be a handicap in the ability of the general public to ventilate its grievances?

And how much the ordinary humble little man will have to do with the winning of the war is illustrated by the history of the slave states in the twelve months that have elapsed since the first "neutrals", Denmark and Norway, were invaded because they were geographically a nuisance to Hitler.

Take, for example, the case of the Dutch. I choose them because in so many ways they had points in common with the Germans and

Now the Dutch must impose the foul anti-Semitic regulations brought across the frontier by the Gestapo.

In the seventeenth century books of every kind were printed in Holland because there could be found a freedom of expression there which was denied in neighbouring states. Now there is that horrible persecution of thought which must sooner or later lead to the collapse of Hitler's "new order."

And these quiet sober-minded Dutch, like the people in all the other slave states, are developing the spirit of revolt. Probably you know—but possibly you do not—of the various ruses adopted to remind the Germans that they are hated invaders. When German officers came into a cafe all the Dutch at neighbouring tables called for their checks and left. When the German authorities decreed that nobody must leave for a quarter of an hour after the arrival of a German soldier, all Dutch customers placed their watches on the table and left the moment the quarter of an hour had elapsed.

Years ago the Nazis, in Austria made ridiculous the ban on uniforms imposed by the governments of Dollfuss and Schuschnigg by appearing in top hats or white stockings. The Dutch learned the lesson and are angering their masters by wearing flowers or ribbons which are in some way reminiscent of the House of Orange and their exiled Queen.

Mr. Eden tells of two British prisoners of war who escaped from East Prussia through Poland, Hungary and Yugoslavia to Greece. They could speak no word of any language but English and yet everywhere they were helped on their way as friends. Mr. Churchill has promised besides blood, sweat, toil and tears "our fair share of mistakes, shortcomings and disappointments." We know that some neutral governments, if not neutral peoples, have succumbed to the temptation to go on the side with the big battalions. But the Prime Minister, who has never sought to disguise unpleasant truths, commands support in Parliament and in the country such as Hitler himself will never win by false promises and misleading lies.

By Vernon  
Bartlett

situation on the Russian front is difficult to assess with certainty, but that is favourable in itself inasmuch as it demonstrates clearly that Germany is not by any means having things all her own way. In any case, there is no reason for the United States to mark time. For her, as for us, the respite in the Western Theatre, is no time for sitting back on our heels in contemplative study. It should serve as an inspiration to press our own efforts to the limit of our resources.

because Nazi leaders had always referred to them as fellow Nordics, worthy to be treated more or less as equals. Even after the invasion and the ruthless, unforgettable bombardment of Rotterdam, Holland was promised that her customs and institutions would be respected. But within a few months her Parliament was closed down, the country was so denuded of its great wealth that Amsterdam has had to go back to horse-drawn trams, a rigid curfew was imposed between 10 p.m. and 4 a.m., and in many other ways the slavery has become obvious and obnoxious.

Almost more hated than the physical restrictions are the restrictions on freedom of the expression of thought. There has been no religious or racial intolerance in Holland since the Spaniards were driven out in 1580 — after a struggle by the people against military might which has few parallels in history, but may find another parallel when Nazi rule begins to crack.

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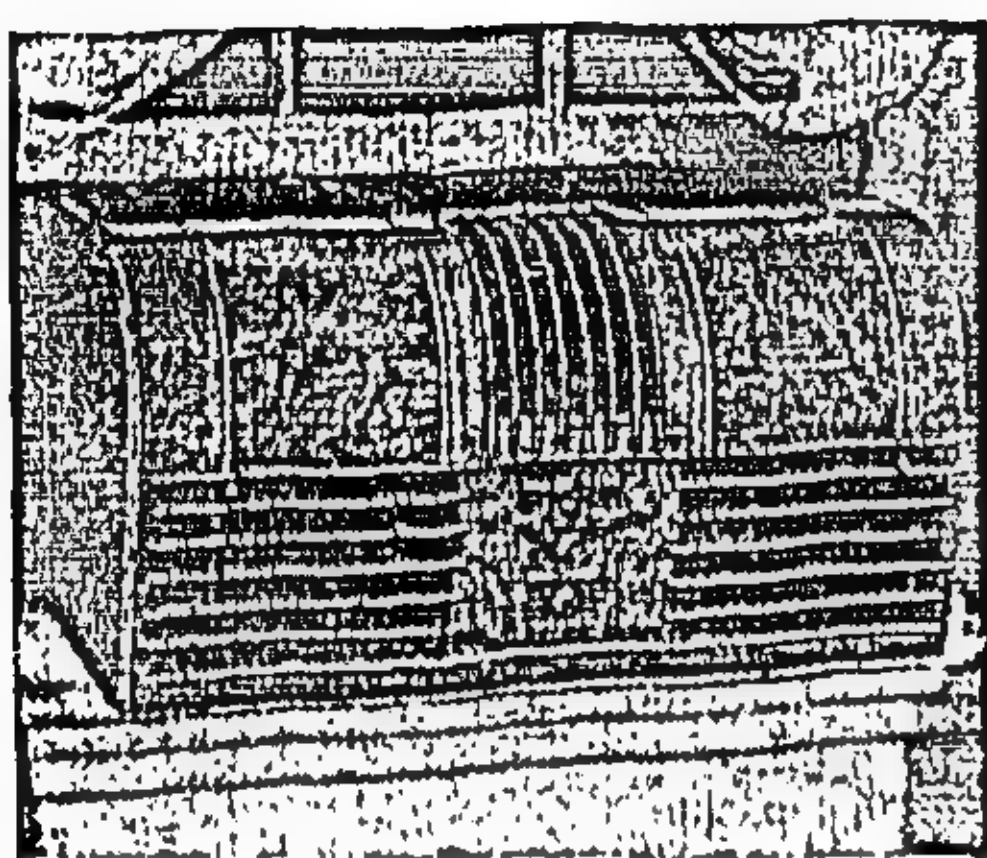
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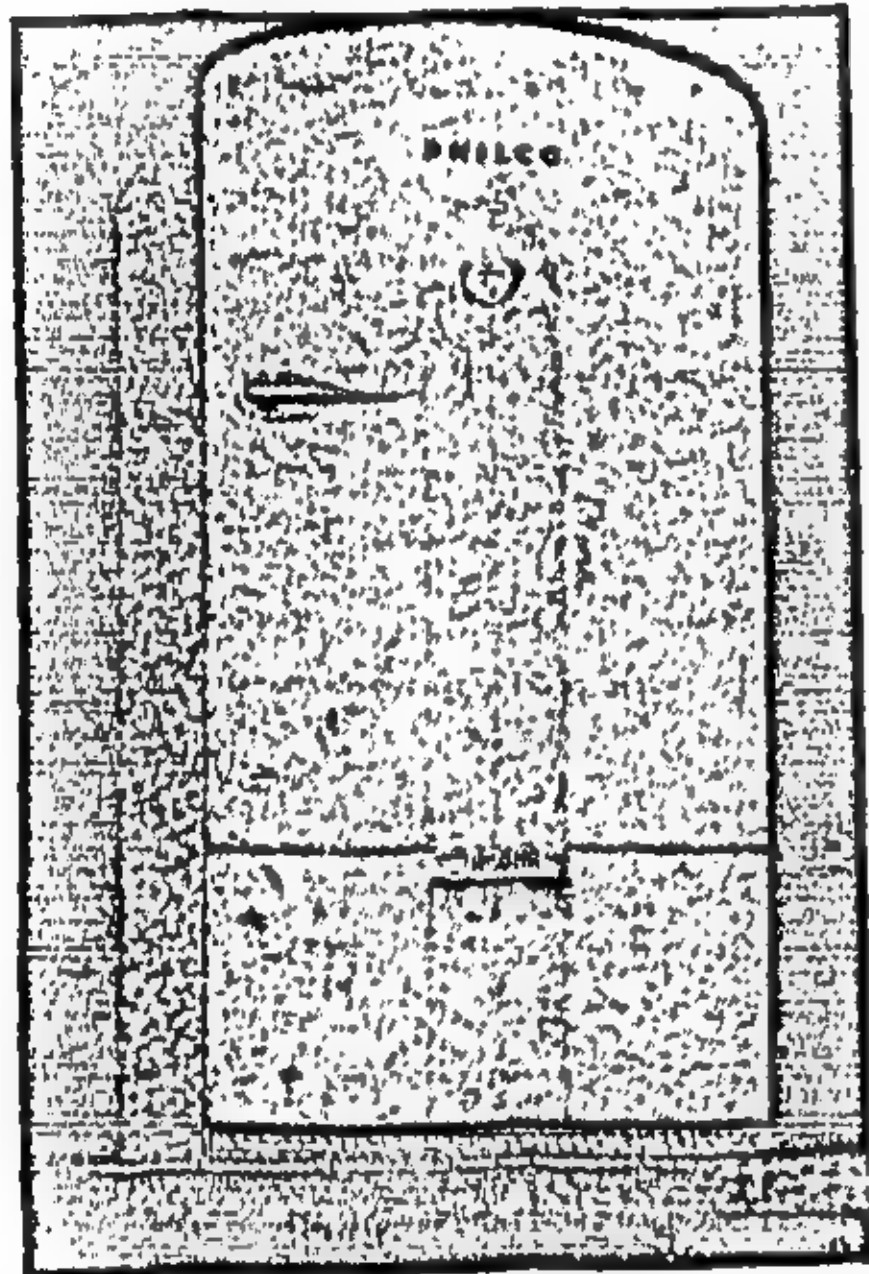
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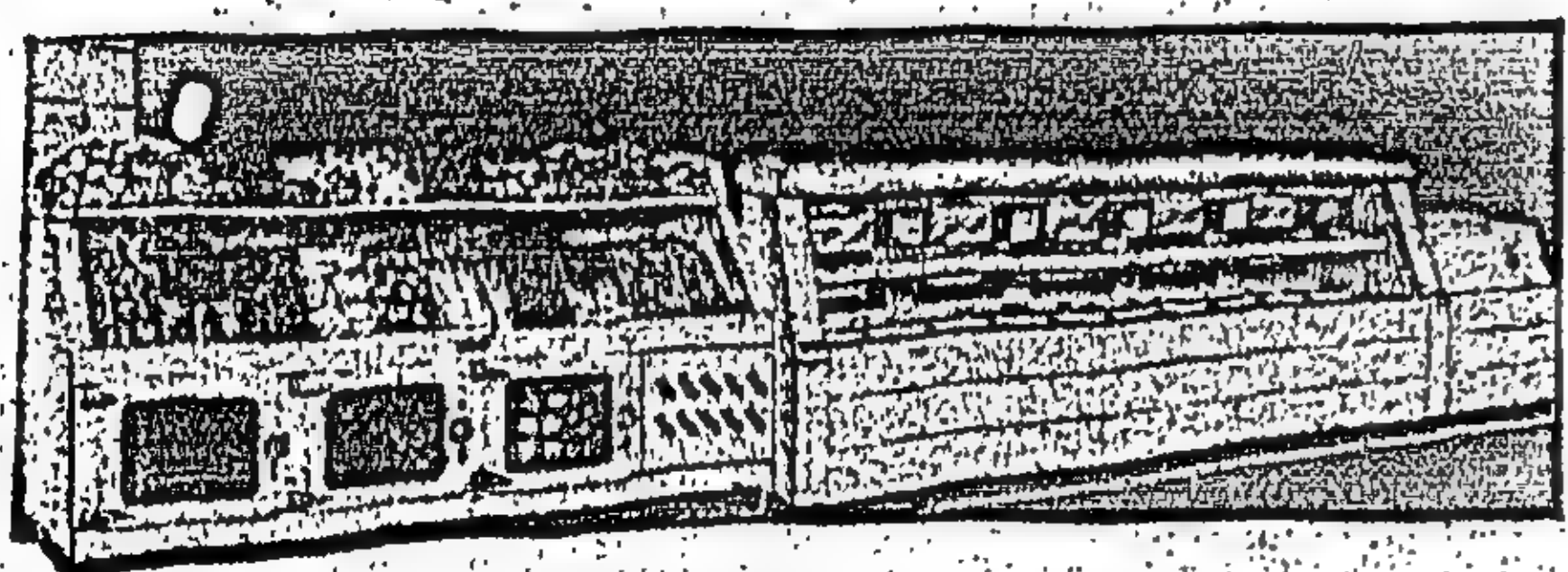
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# TORCH OF VICTORY PRESENTED TO PRIME MINISTER

IN THE GARDEN of No. 10, Downing Street yesterday, the Prime Minister received the "Torch of Victory," emblem of Canada's Victory War Loan which, after travelling across the Dominion, has now been flown to England by a Bomber plane.

The Torch, which was inscribed "part of the tools of the Canadian Victory Loan, 1941" was presented to the Prime Minister by Mr. Ian Mackenzie, Canadian Minister of Pensions.

He also presented a scroll signed by the Governor-General of Canada, the Earl of Athlone, the Prime Minister of Canada, Mr. Mackenzie King, the Premiers of nine Canadian provinces and by other distinguished citizens who took part in the war loan campaign, pledging Canada's journey to the end of the road, no matter how long and toilsome.

He also gave the Prime Minister a letter from the chairman of the Canadian War Loan Committee.

Mr. Winston Churchill, in acknowledging the gifts, said: "I am much affected by the kindness and the message you bring me, and by the emblem which has been carried so far overland, through the air and over the sea. It has come here to represent another impulse of the new effort which Canada is making in all these months and years of storm."

"I cannot thank you enough for all you have said about me which I shall labour to deserve without any expectation of achieving such high results."

#### Proud Welcome

"But at any rate in this old house and garden, which has for a hundred years been the centre from which the British Government has been conducted, in the sunshine of this afternoon when no enemy planes dare to come within the range of our fighting air force, I am proud to welcome here representatives of the Canadian forces and you yourself, and the Canadian Minister for Air who have come all this way to encourage us in our fight, and to add their own weighty contributions to assure us, if indeed assurance were needed, that Canada will continue to the end."

"The end may be far off, we cannot tell. It depends upon the enemy. How long that wicked man will torture and afflict nations, how often or in what direction he will set his murder machine in motion, we cannot tell."

"One thing we are assured, he and his villainous crew will be delivered to the doom and shame which is their due, and we ourselves shall have the honour of having had something to do with it."

#### Symbol Of Will

In presenting the Torch, the scroll and the letter to the Prime Minister, Mr. Ian Mackenzie said, "I have the honour of presenting, on behalf of the people of Canada, this Torch of Freedom and Victory to you. This Torch is the symbol of the will and devotion of our Canadian people. The Torch had been taken by a bomber plane through the great centres of the population of Canada."

After praising the Prime Minister's qualities as a leader, Mr. Mackenzie formally presented him with the Torch and the scroll. The Canadian Minister for Air, Mr. O. G. Power, who has recently arrived in this country, was present at the ceremony, as was also Mr. Vincent Massey, High Commissioner of Canada.

When the Torch was being displayed in the different towns in Canada, there were always present with it three representatives of the armed forces of Canada. For the afternoon's ceremony there were also three officers present, representing the three armed forces of Canada. They were Lieut. Stirling, Royal Canadian Navy; Lieut. Guilford, 32nd Regiment, French Canadian Regiment; and Lieut. Stewart, Royal Canadian Air Force.—Reuter.

## U.S. AND ENTRY INTO WAR

Everyone is against war, just as everyone is against sin, said President Roosevelt at his Press Conference held at Hyde Park, near New York, yesterday.

The President reaffirmed his hope that America could stay out of the war, but he went on to draw a distinction between hope and belief.

It was obvious, he said, how anyone would vote in a poll on whether the United States should plunge actively in a conflict with the Axis.

President Roosevelt, in the last two months, has often asserted that he hoped the United States would keep out of the European conflict. To-day reiteration followed recent criticism of the Administration's policy, that the country was being led along the road to active participation.

The President declined to discuss the espionage arrests carried out by the F.B.I.—Reuter.

## FILIPINOS AND THE NEW ORDER

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]

REPRESENTATIVES OF SOME 50,000 FILIPINOS IN THE UNITED STATES CONCLUDED THEIR FIRST NATIONAL MEETING IN SAN FRANCISCO YESTERDAY WHEN THEY RE-AFFIRMED THEIR LOYALTY TO THE U.S. J. M. ELIZALDE EXPRESSED THANKS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE COMMISSIONER'S WEST COAST OFFICE.

Mr. Moncado, addressing 10,000 members of the Philippine Federation of America, urged the Convention to endorse the Philippine national policy and 100 per cent. cooperation with the United States against the Axis.

He called on the United States to grant the Philippines dominion status and the Islands, in return, to give America all rights for military, naval and air bases, and complete cooperation in economic problems.

"We cannot allow any Oriental race to dominate the Filipinos," he concluded.—International News Service.

#### JEWISH REFUGEES

#### HARD HIT

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"] The new ruling in connection with permits for entry to the United States requiring application to Washington hits 7,000 Shanghai Jewish refugees who were hoping to leave shortly.—International News Service.

## PREMIER'S PLEDGE TO M.P.S.

Mr. Winston Churchill received a great ovation from back-bench Conservative M.P.s when he was entertained at lunch in London recently by the 1922 Committee. About 150 members were present.

The Prime Minister's declaration, during his speech, that "we shall let no party surpass us in the sacrifices we make," was loudly cheered.

## ANTI-SOVIET ACTION IN SHANGHAI?

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]

Semi-official Soviet circles in Shanghai state that they have learned the French authorities plan to take steps against Soviet organisations and publications in the French Concession as the result of Vichy's break with Moscow.

The French police have denied any knowledge of this but it will be recalled that recent steps by the French Municipal Council showed an increasing anti-Allied stand.

The British War Fund Fair was not allowed to be held in the French Concession and the French police banned the magazine, "Argus," which presents the Allied cause.

Rumours that the French have told the Soviet to remove from the French Concession have so far not been confirmed.—International News Service.

## No Comment On The Knox Speech

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]

President Roosevelt says he still hopes the United States will be able to avoid involvement in the war but declines to comment on the speech of Colonel Knox at the Boston Conference of State Governments in which he said that the Navy should be used immediately to clear the Atlantic of the German menace to supplies to Britain.

The speech brought mixed reactions in Washington, while Senator Pepper of Florida regarded as the White House spokesman, stated that "Knox states the truth which is unpleasant to hear but time and history will prove him right."—International News Service.



# SITUATION STILL OBSCURE

## Germans Claim To Be In Luck

### Stalin Now In Supreme Command

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

ALTHOUGH THERE IS NO DIRECT NEWS TO INDICATE THE REAL POSITION SINCE THE GERMANS ANNOUNCED THAT PANZER DIVISIONS WERE STREAMING ALONG THE ROAD FROM MINSK TO MOSCOW, THE LATEST SOVIET COMMUNIQUE REFERS TO A DEFEAT INFLICTED ON THE PANZER UNITS BETWEEN MINSK AND BARANOVITCH.

There is no confirmation of reports that the Germans have occupied Minsk, but the heavy pressure of the German forces between Minsk and Vilna places the Red Army south in a difficult position.

## 2,000 Arrests In France

Arrests of Communists in Paris are reported to have run to 2,000 as part of the widespread police round-up, following Vichy's breach with Russia, states the Vichy correspondent of the Zurich newspaper "Neutzuerecher Zeitung."

The correspondent adds: "The Russian Embassy buildings in Vichy are guarded by soldiers. A sharp watch is being kept at the town's exits."

Many Russians have been arrested and energetic action taken against Communists in other parts of France.

The "Gazette Lausanne" reports from Vichy that as evidence of the powerful French Communist organisation, the Communist newspaper, "Humanite" though banned since the beginning of the war has been appearing regularly in several French towns.—Reuter.

## Volunteer Exercises Postponed

It is announced that the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps week-end exercises due to take place from July 4 to July 6, have been cancelled.

The exercises will now be held from P.M. 18th July, 1941 to P.M. 20th July, 1941 and employers of all concerned are requested to give the same facilities with regard to allowing volunteers to attend.

## HAILE SELASSIE AND PLEDGE

Answering a Commons question yesterday, the Foreign Under-Secretary stated that the text of the resolution passed at the meeting of Allied representatives held in London on June 12 had been forwarded to the Emperor of Ethiopia and His Majesty had been invited to associate himself with its principles.—British Wireless.

Stalin has now taken over virtual personal command of the Red Armies, with Marshal Voroshiloff as his right hand man.

In a fierce battle near Murmansk with Finnish and German troops cooperating in the attack, it is claimed in Moscow that the enemy has been hurled back repeatedly.—International News Service.

### Fall Of Luck Claimed

It is announced in London that the official German News Agency has claimed the capture of Luck in Poland.

German tanks which pushed ahead of the main body were responsible for the capture of Luck, according to a circumstantial story broadcast last night by the Official German News Agency, which claims that they were cut off by the collapse of a burning bridge but overcame firstly, two Soviet tanks, then three heavy anti-tank guns, and finally four more Soviet tanks and an armoured observation car, and held the town till evening when the capture was completed.

Luck is the manufacturing town on the River Stry, 85 miles north-east of Lwow and lies on the route of the German thrust towards Kiev, the capital of Ukraine.

### Luftwaffe Attacks

A Berlin military commentary on the German High Command's communique emphasises that damage is being done to Russian communications by the Luftwaffe.

It says that the railway line from the Baltic to Leningrad was cut in four places and in the central sector, four goods trains and one munitions train were destroyed yesterday.

### Riga Captured

According to a Stockholm message, Riga is now in the hands of the Germans.

The Riga radio has been silent for some days, but it resumed broadcasting at 8.15 a.m. yesterday, when a German officer announced the fall of Riga.—Reuter.

### Moscow Communique

A Red Army communique received yesterday afternoon states: "Fighting continued throughout the night of June 30/July 1 in the Murmansk, Dvinsk, Bobruisk, and Luck sectors. There was patrol and artillery activity on other parts of the front."

In the Murmansk region, the enemy succeeded in pressing back our units but his further advance was halted and our land and air forces inflicted heavy losses.

The enemy brought up fresh mobile troops in the Dvinsk sector and our aircraft inflicted powerful blows upon them.

In the Minsk and Bobruisk sectors, our troops fought a night-long battle, opposing the efforts of enemy mobile units to break through towards the east. Our infantry, artillery, tanks and aircraft took part in the fighting.

In the Rovno district of the Luck sector, our troops stemmed the advance towards the east of

## AMERICA'S GIGANTIC EXPENDITURE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The biggest spending Congress in the nation's history went into recess on Monday night after approving appropriations totalling more than six billion dollars in a 10½-hour session, shooting the record to U. S. \$35,500,000,000 in appropriations for this session.

This far exceeded the 27 billion dollars appropriated by the first World War Congress for the 1919 fiscal year.—International News Service.

## French Vessel Captured

A fast French motor liner, the Oregon, 7,706 tons, has been captured in the South Atlantic by British warships, according to maritime circles in New York last night.

The ship, it is reported, was taken to Freetown. She was well-known, before the war, on the Pacific Coast.

The British also captured two French trawlers, the Lorage, 580 tons; and the Avantgarde, 780 tons; and took them to G. Braltar.—Reuter.

## ARTILLERY DUEL AT HANGOE

According to Swedish correspondents in the Helsingfor area, an artillery duel has been proceeding at Hangoe since June 25.

Silence of the Russians on Saturday gave rise to rumours that they had prepared to yield.

It is computed that there are 25,000 Russians in the Hangoe area where there are two air grounds.

These correspondents are unable to confirm that the Finns began an attack on Hangoe on Monday or that Viborg also has been assailed.—Reuter.

enemy tank units and the enemy through towards the east. Our counter-attacks.

On the rest of the front, our troops continued to hold the frontier repelling many attacks.—British Wireless.

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## NO RAIDS YESTERDAY PERSONS DETAINED

An official communique states that up to 8 p.m. last evening there had been no reports of enemy activity over Britain during the day.—British Wireless.

The Home Secretary stated yesterday that on 31st May, the total number of persons detained under Defence Regulations 188 was 701.—British Wireless.

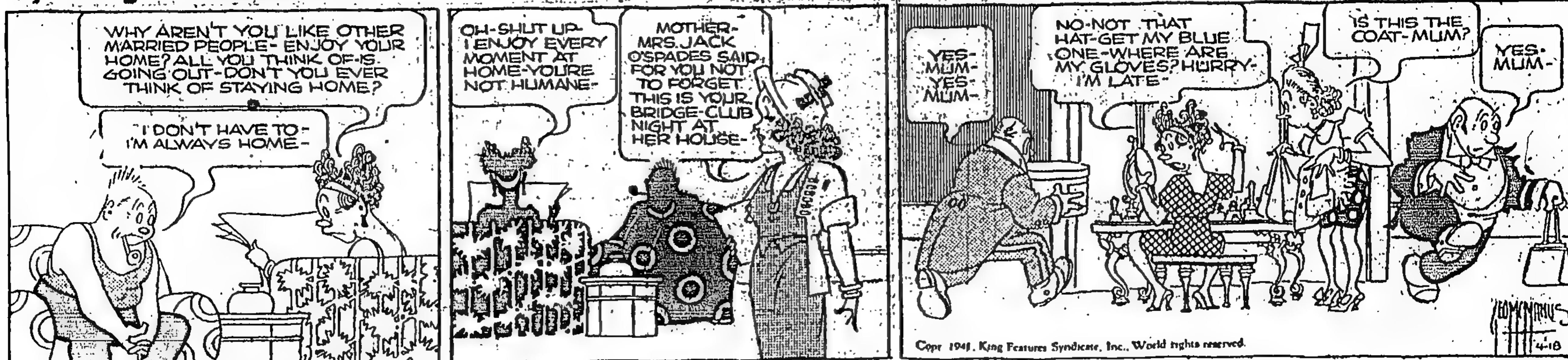






By George MacManus

Bringing Up Father



## A PAGE FOR WOMEN Slouching Shoulders

Girls, it is neither smart nor healthy to go about with slouching shoulders. Slouched shoulders is just a bad habit and there is nothing we can say in favour of them. How much more beautiful is a high, firm bustline and a straight spine!

Growing girls, and those in their early twenties, should endeavour to attain good posture as a natural habit. So much of your future good health and happiness depends on that good posture! You will want to have a pretty figure in your thirties, good health in your forties and fifties and grace and charm until you die! So build for all that now by correcting your shoulder-slouch if you are guilty of one.

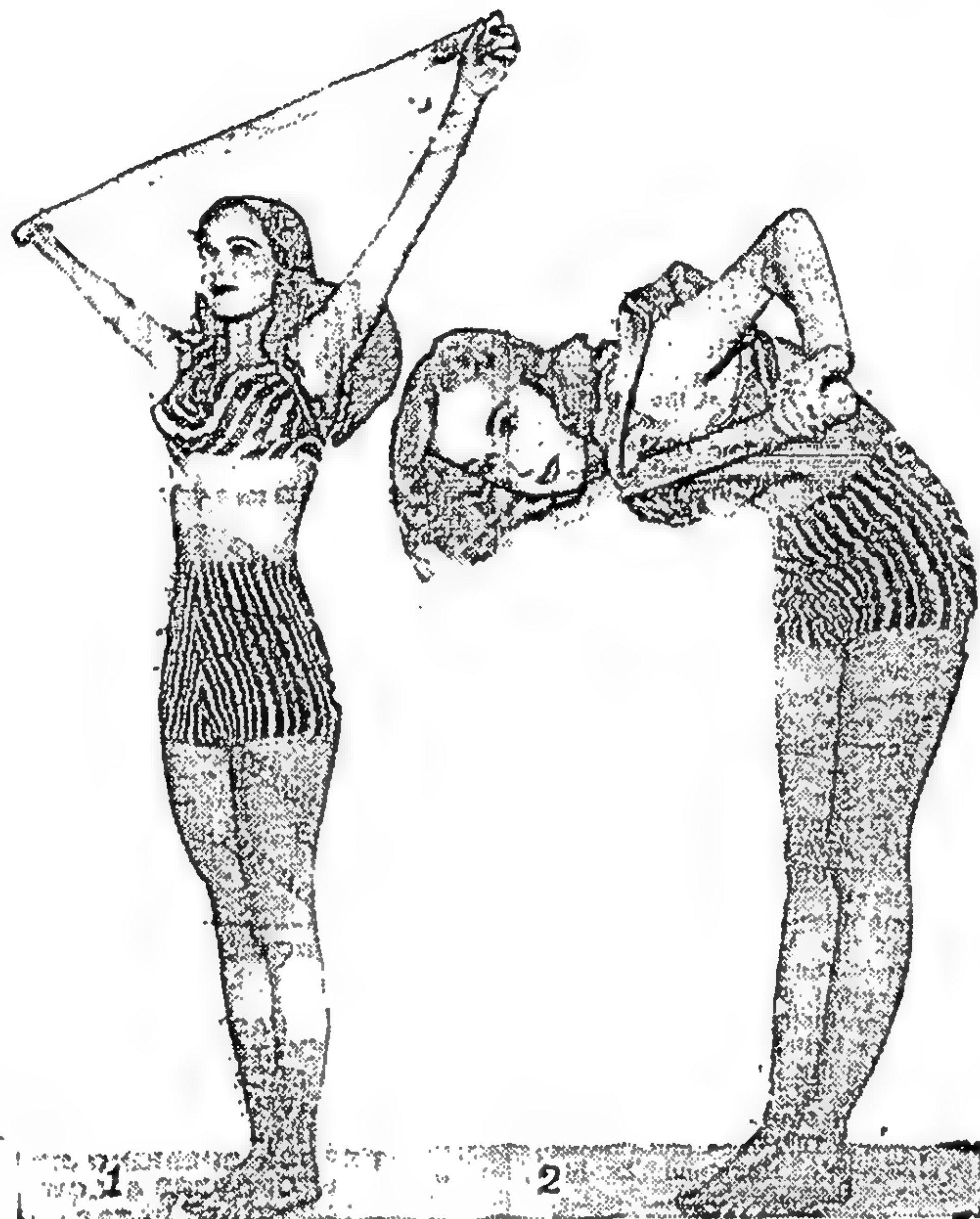
### Do This Every Day

From time to time I give you an effective exercise to improve your bustline and to straighten your shoulders. Add to-day's exercise to those you already have and do practice them every day until your back and shoulder muscles have been strengthened and forced into their correct positions. Then good posture will be unconscious.

Begin this exercise by holding a rod or bar one yard long, high over your head. Make your eyes look level and that means your head back, poised on the tip of your spine!

As you stand thus, draw your abdomen in and up. You can do it—if not the first time, the second or third time. Then swing your upper body forward KEEPING ABDOMEN IN and sweep the floor with the bar if you can, then bring it up to touch your chest as you stand bent over. This forces your shoulder-blades together and stretches your lazy neck muscles. Straighten up to standing position and drop bar to relax.

Repeat this in rhythm at least ten times, and concentrate on



LUCILE FAIRBANKS illustrates starting position of to-day's exercises.

Exercise ends when shoulder-blades are forced together in this manner.

what you are doing. Half-measures get you nowhere, remember.

### Train Your Abdomen

You know, the secret of all good posture is control of abdominal muscles. If they are firm and if you hold your abdomen in an up you automatically raise your chest

and straighten your spine. So work to get control of those muscles. When you are walking, or standing or lying flat on a bed, forcibly pull your abdomen in and push it out. Relax after a few minutes and repeat the exercise. In no time at all you will find yourself "wanting" to keep in good posture—it gives you a grand sense of poise and comfort!

## The Sun For Health And Beauty

If a cosmetic firm should discover how to bottle sunshine to sell during the rainy or cold months it would make millions of dollars in one year—for sunshine is perhaps the greatest beautifier that man or woman can use!

Fortunately sunshine is free for all. So get yourself and your family out in it as much as possible.

With our high standard of living comes a price—and that price is serious if we pay it. Closed

automobiles keep us separated from fresh air and sunshine. Theatres and movies keep us indoors for hours. Air-conditioned homes tempt us to stay indoors instead of embracing summer's heat as we should—near the sea with our heads and skins well

protected from too scorching sun rays.

We must get out-of-doors more. Children should be encouraged by parents and by schools to play competitive games out under the sun. Mothers can take their children to the roof for an hour or more a day. If one determines to get the sun there are numerous ways in which to enjoy it.

### Consider Sun's Importance

Sun is all important to us. When you consider how a plant grows healthy under the sun rays, and how it withers and dies if denied that sun, we conceive in some measure how vital sunshine is to humans. Without its benefits there would be no life on earth.

Girls and women who suffer with acne know that their skin improves when they take the sun. Invalids who have had little strength while lying in bed for weeks quickly regain their strength when given sun treatment. Children who have been nervous or victims of asthma find new vitality from the sun's rays. Persons who suffer melancholy experience cheered spirits after a month in a sunny climate. The



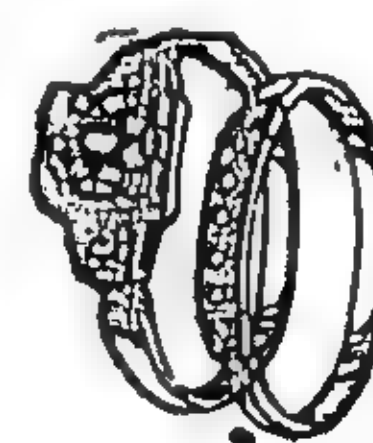
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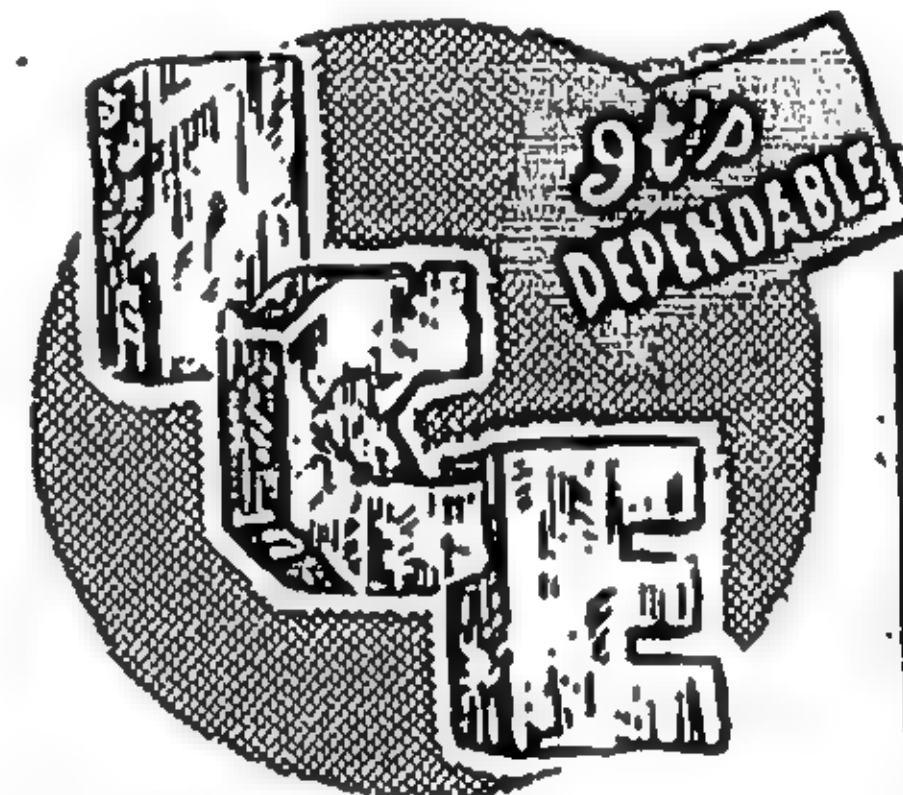
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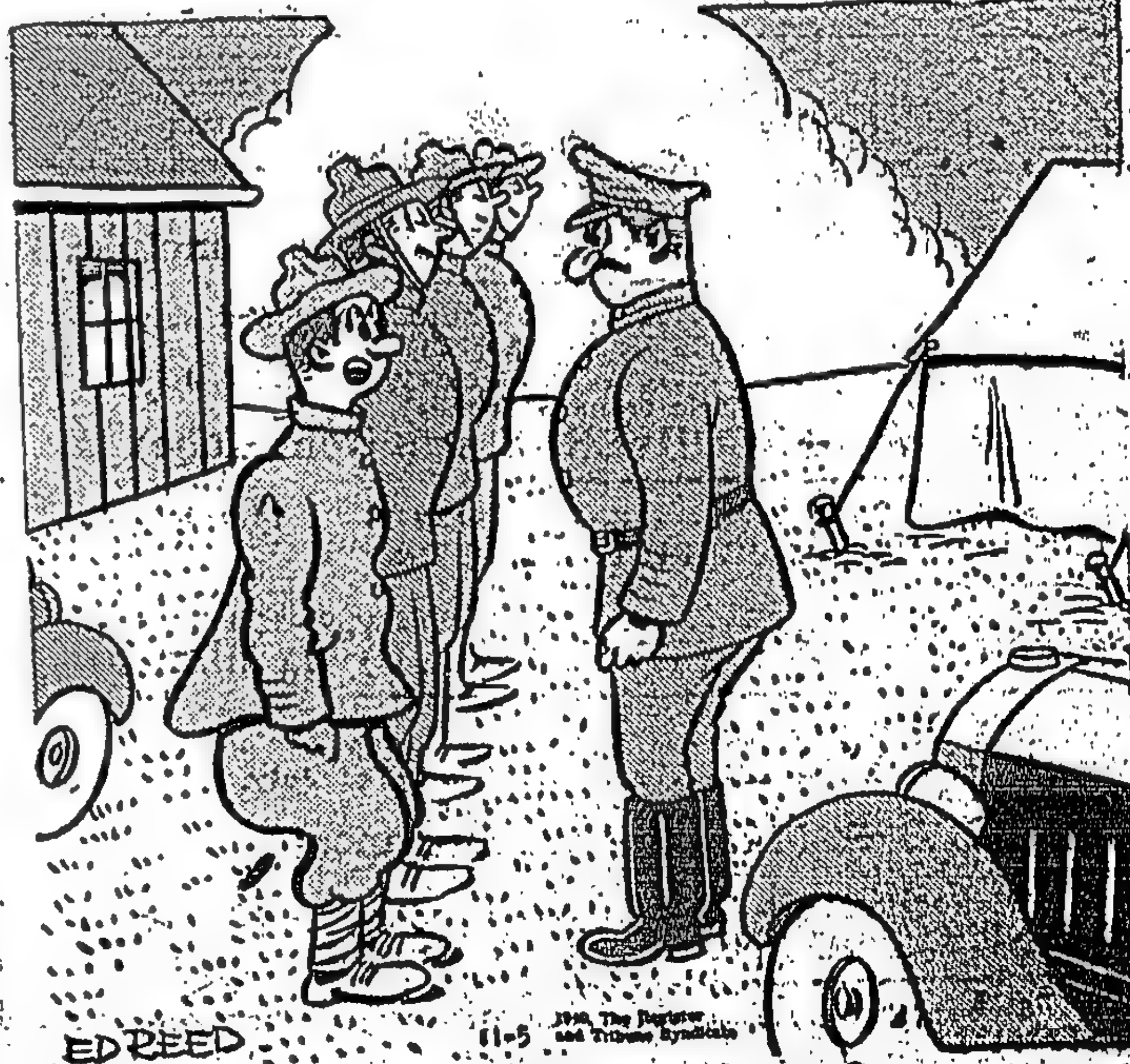
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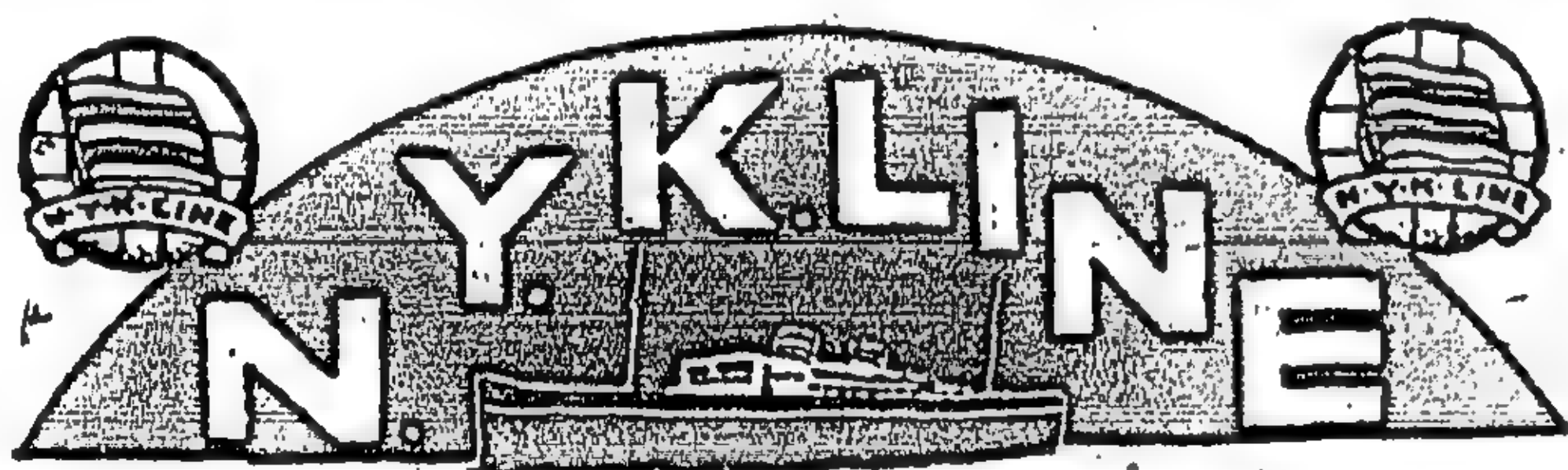
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 Humoreske, Op. 101, No. 7. Gaspar Cassado (Cello) with Piano accomp.  
 Songs: My Mother Taught Me. Dino Borgioli (Tenor) with Piano and Violin obbligato.  
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 8.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.  
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 11.00 p.m.—London Relay—"Correspondence Column". Talk by Sidney Hornblow.  
 11.15 p.m.—Close down.

**DEATH OF INDIAN LIBERAL LEADER**

The death has occurred in Allahabad of Sir Chiravoori Chintamani, member of the Indian Round Table Conference, who was twice elected as the Liberal Party's delegate to England on political missions, and was the leading figure in the National Liberal Federation of India.—Reuter.

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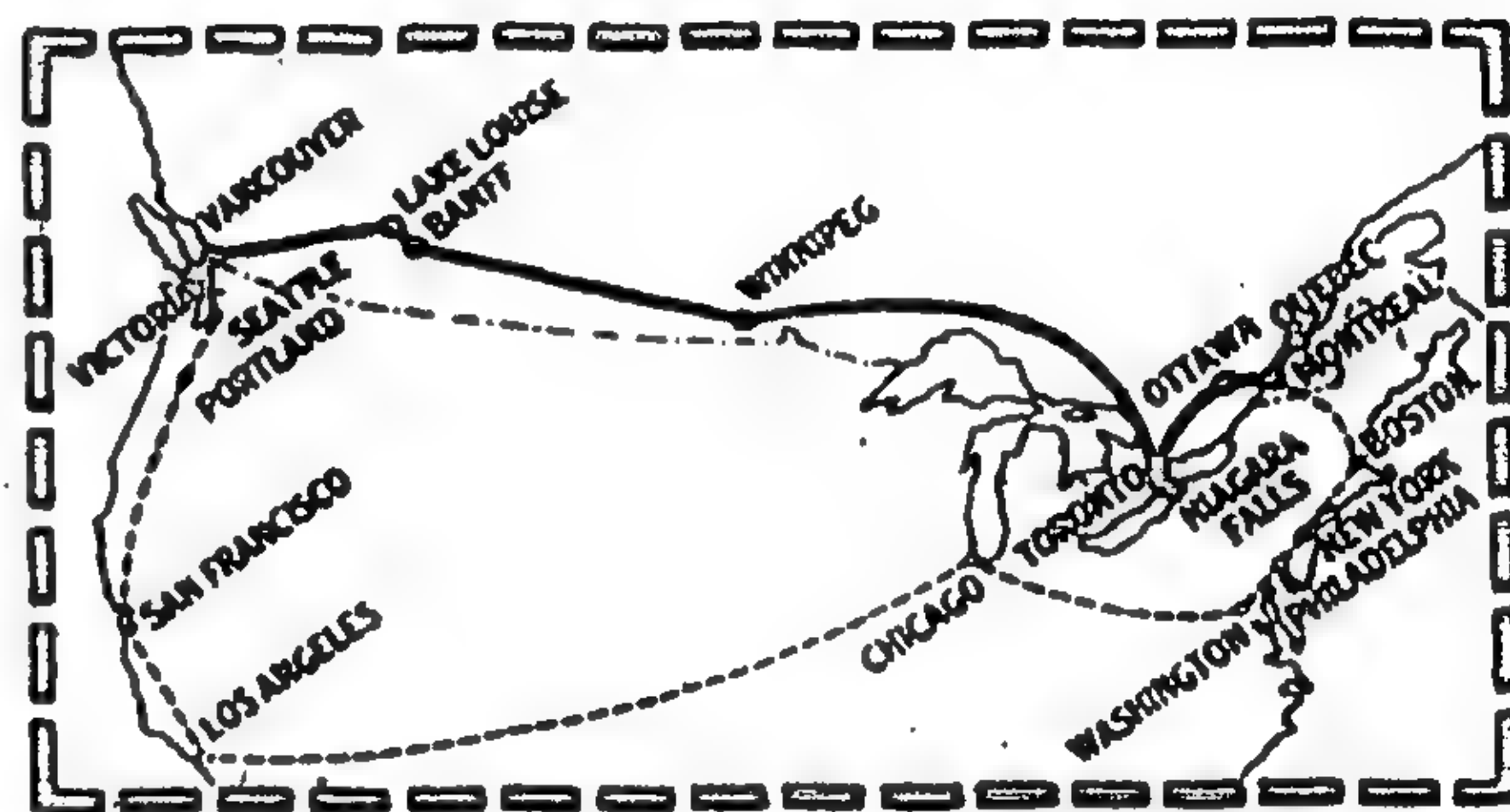
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Crashing into a wharf at 2 a.m. yesterday a steam launch sank in the Yaumati Typhoon Shelter. The boat was anchored outside the Shelter. The anchor chain snapped and the launch drifted into the Shelter crashing into a wharf and sinking.

**THEFT OF FITTINGS**

Four months' hard labour was imposed by Mr. H. C. Macnamara, at Kowloon this morning, on Chung Wing, 22, for stealing a length of electric wire, six sockets and two switches from No. 221, Shanghai Street, on Monday. The fittings were attached to a sign board, which had been removed and placed outside the shop.





# ALLEGATION OF BLACKMAIL ATTEMPT

AN ALLEGATION THAT a woman attempted to blackmail his client for \$5,000, was made by Mr. M. A. da Silva before Mr. H. C. Macnamara at Kowloon this morning, when his client and the woman were charged with the unlawful transfer of a 14-year-old girl on March 22.

Accused, Yip Ying, 31, married woman, and Ng Chung, 67, pleaded guilty.

Inspector Moreton, of the S.C.A., prosecuting, said that the woman was the sister of the girl's mother, having arrived in the Colony from Canton on March 17 with the girl. She rented a cubicle in a house in Nam Chang Street and there became acquainted with second defendant.

On March 22, the girl was presented to second accused by the woman who was paid a sum of \$40.

The girl was kept as an adopted daughter by second accused until June 10 when he gave her back to the woman because he was not satisfied with the girl's behaviour. The woman refused to take the girl back and made a report to the police station.

## Retired Merchant

Pleading guilty to the charge on behalf of his client, Mr. Silva stated that his client, a retired merchant, recently arrived in the Colony from Singapore.

His client adopted the girl, but found her dishonest, having stolen little sums of money time after time. He decided to give her back.

The woman and her husband refused to take the girl back and, alleged Mr. Silva, threatened to report his client as having indecently assaulted the girl, if \$5,000 were not forthcoming. The demand was reduced to \$2,000, but his client refused to pay. The girl had been examined by three doctors, who found the allegation untrue.

The woman was fined \$50 while Mr. Silva's client was cautioned.

# KING WITH THE CANADIANS

The King spent Dominion Day with the Canadian regiments stationed in Southern England and presented Colours to the New Brunswick and Alberta Regiments.

Many distinguished Canadians watched the ceremony including Mr. Vincent Massey, Mr. R. B. Bennett and a number of Canadian staff officers.

In presenting the Colours, the King said: "To-day is Dominion Day and I am very glad to be spending it among my Canadian troops. Many of you, may be, have never before been out of Canada on your National Day. You will all, I know, be thinking of those near and dear to you whom you have left at home. With all my heart I hope it may not be long before you are with them again."

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His Majesty then took the salute at the march past. — British Wireless.

# BANKNOTE TRANSFER ORDER

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]

NEW REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE TRANSPORTATION OF BANKNOTE ISSUES INCLUDING GOVERNMENT NOTES AND NOTES OF THE CENTRAL RESERVE BANK COME INTO FORCE TO-DAY IN SHANGHAI.

Import of both kinds of notes into Chinese ports, the announcement says, must be accompanied by a permit issued by the Ministry of Finance.

Applications for permits must give a detailed description of the sum and kind of notes to be imported, and must be filed with the Ministry through the Superintendent's office or branch of the Central Reserve Bank at the port concerned. — International News Service.

# ONE IN THREE CIVILIANS HAS CHANGED JOB

One in every three persons in civilian employment to-day has changed his or her job since the war started, states the "New Chronicle."

This is shown by the most recent Gallup Survey, in which a representative cross-section of the civilian population was asked: "Have you changed your job or occupation since the war started?"

Analysis of the replies showed that:

20 per cent. had changed to a new job in a new kind of work; 12 per cent. had changed to a new job but in the same kind of work;

Highest percentages of change were among young people and in the lower income grouping. Thirty per cent. of men had changed jobs, and 34 per cent. of women.

To the subsidiary question: "Are you satisfied with your present job?" replies were:

Yes 76%  
No 20%  
Don't know 4%

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## THEFT OF CLOTHES

Before Mr. D. J. N. Anderson at Kowloon this morning, Chan Shing, 22, was placed on a \$25 bond for one year for stealing three pieces of clothing, belonging to Mr. W. McDonald, of No. 12, Argyle Street. Accused was seen taking the clothing from complainant's car by an unknown European, who chased and arrested him.



Mrs. Winston Churchill was the first customer of two Mobile Club Vans, which were presented to her for the Y.W.C.A. by the National Council of Women and the Girl's Life Brigade. The vans are designed as travel ing shop-cum-library-cum-cinema for Aok-Aok girls of the Y.W.C.A. (Copyright, Fox).

# CHINESE DOLLAR DROPS

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]

SHANGHAI FINANCIAL CIRCLES' REACTION TO THE RECOGNITION OF THE NANKING REGIME BY THE AXIS POWERS WAS NEGLIGIBLE OWING TO THE MARKET CLOSURE FOR THE MID-SUMMER BANK HOLIDAY, BUT THE CHINESE DOLLAR DROPPED SLIGHTLY ON THE OPENING OF THE MARKET.

It is believed that the dollar will re-act unfavourably when the market re-opens to-morrow.

Political circles in Shanghai view the new move by the Axis as an attempt to appease Japan in connection with the Soviet hostilities in the hope that Japan may take a decisive step.

Terrorism again struck this morning when Li Tshah-ching, aged 36, a translator employed by the Japanese gendarmerie, was shot dead in Hongkew by two Chinese gunmen who escaped. — International News Service.

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## U.S. NAVAL FLIERS KILLED

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]

Two naval fliers from the Palocka Base were killed when their plane crashed into a sand excavation, states a Miami message. — International News Service.

## A.R.P. IN INDIA

The Air Raid Precautions Staff School of the Raj opened in Calcutta yesterday and will train A.R.P. officers and instructors for provincial governments and also for certain industrial and public utility concerns. — Reuter.

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## Chuck Waggoner Has 3 In 5 Batting Performance

### WHITE STARTS EARLY

(BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

What with the typhoon threat washing out all sport, it is indeed refreshing to hear of somebody doing something — even though it be cricket practice in the hot weather, on a gravel pitch, without nets or stumps, and with only a bat and a ball.

Still, it is keenness that makes up for everything else, and in this direction we raise our hats to G. V. White, Police R.C. cricketer, who, at the Police Training School now, is doing his best to instill some of his keenness into two new arrivals, J. Clements and K. Douche.

From White I learned that Clements is a very stylish left-hand bat, and that K. Douche promises great things with the ball, being a more than useful medium-paced bowler.

In the course of a conversation with White, I learned that he had played a good deal of cricket at home. As previously reported in these columns, he turned out for St. George's in Cricket Club Conference matches, while he received coaching from Gregory and Squires, both of Surrey, at the Hobbs-Sandham cricket school, and later on he went to the Albury-Faulkner School, where he was coached by Pugh, of Glamorgan.

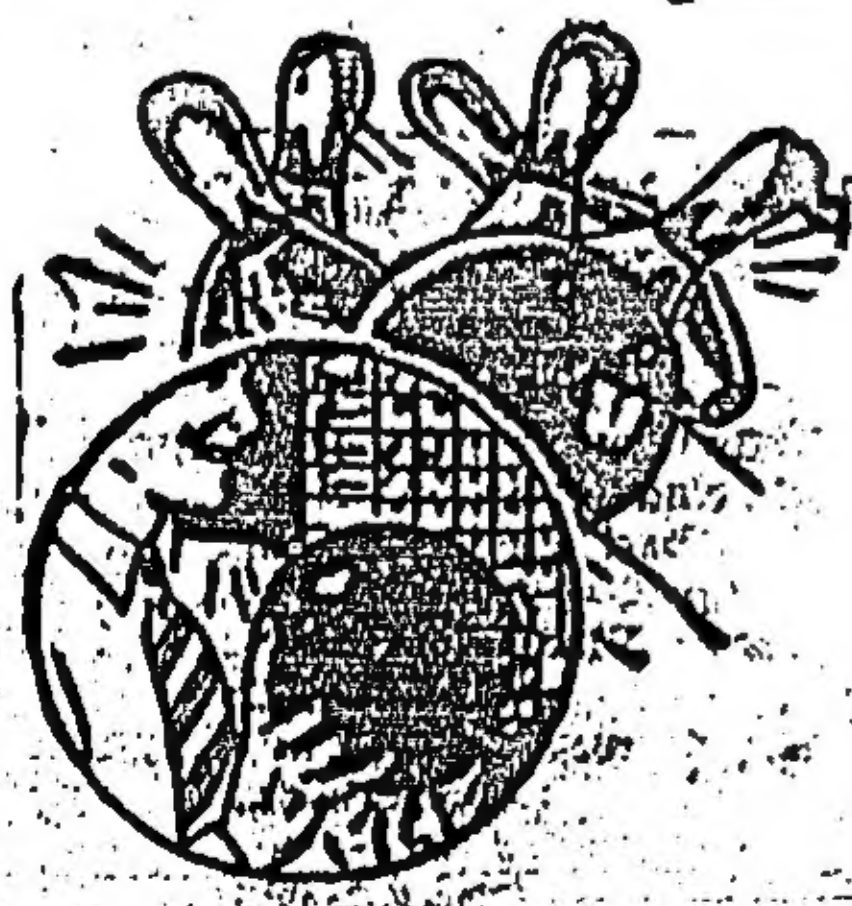
### Sees All Tests

Always keen on the game, White had not missed a Test match at Lord's since 1929 up till the time he came out here in 1939, reason for this being that he was working for an old gentleman who himself was a very keen follower of the game, and he was therefore always given time off to watch the Tests.

White was an observer in the Royal Air Force, but after an accident he resigned. In 1939 he went to Downing College, Cambridge University, for an O.T.C. course, and it was during this period that he rowed No. 4 in the College's second eight.

White has also played a good deal of tennis, while he played a lot of lawn bowls at Hampstead and Burham, in Somerset.

Last season White, who turned out for P.R.C. in Second Division of the Cricket League, did fairly well, but he is looking forward to a better season now that he has become more used to the light.



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### H.B. SQUAD FATTEN BATTLING AVERAGES: CORK BADLY INJURED

By "Grandstand"

**HIGH-LIGHTED BY CHUNG HWA LEFT-GARDENER 'MOROCCO' CHAN'S NEAT STEAL HOME IN THE SEVENTH FOR THE TIE IN RUN AND 'GRANDPA' LEUNG'S CLUTCH SINGLE IN THE NINTH, CHUNG HWA MAROONS NOSED OUT CHUCK WAGGONER'S MOHAWKS 8 TO 7 IN SATURDAY'S NIGHT-CAP, WHICH WENT INTO TWO OVER-TIME STANZAS, WHILST HONG KONG BREWERS WON BOTH OF THEIR GAMES DURING THE WEEK-END, WHEN THEY CALCIMINED SOUTH CHINA 22-0, TRAMPLED ALL OVER ROYAL ENGINEERS TO AN 18-2 VICTORY.**

Dave Leonard homered in the Brewers-South China clash, whilst an unfortunate mishap occurred in Royal Engineers' tilt with Brewers which necessitated out-fielder Cork's removal to hospital, where he was detained.

For the second time in succession, "Grandpa" Leung Foo-cho, that Grand Old Man, came through with a single in the last inning for the Chung Hwa winning tally, the contest going into extra-innings on both occasions.

Mound victor Al Lau went the rout for Chung Hwa, and yielded seven safeties whilst his mates could collect only three singles off Mohawk hurlers Bernie Johnson and Den Crary. Lau fanned six and walked six, but was charged with two wild pitches, whilst Johnson whiffed eight and passed five in five frames. Crary, relieving Johnson in the sixth, accounted for two via the strikeout route, but issued free transportation to first to two Maroons.

### Mohawks Get Going

Mohawks drew first blood on a walk and Chuck Waggoner's rasping single, while Johnnie Schaberg also singled and Larry Lawrence drew a pass to load the sacks with one out, but Crary and Johnson both fanned the breeze for no gain in score.

In Chung Hwa's half three runs trickled across the platter on three walks, and a single, assisted by a couple of Mohawk miscues, for the Maroons to take the lead.

In the second chapter both sides could not produce a run, but in the third the Waggonermen evened the count at 3-all on a pair of doubles by Chuck Waggoner and Bernie Johnson.

In the fourth and fifth slabster Al Lau handcuffed the opposition, retiring the side in 1-2-3 order, whilst two of his mates romped over the pay-off station on a brace of bobbies in the fifth.

Coming into the sixth, moundsmen Lau temporarily lost control and was nicked for two blows, walked one and tossed one into the dirt for a Mohawk four-run uprising.

Trailing behind two runs in the last of the seventh, Loong popped out to Schaberg. Bill Chang drew a pass and pilfered second and third. Morocco Chan's Texas leaguer scored Chang, whilst Chan also sneaked second and third, beating the peg by a cat's eyebrow.

### Verbal Abuse

A storm of verbal abuse greeted Hank All's close decision, but soon subsided. The fireworks broke out again as Chan stole home whilst hurler Crary was delivering a pitch, but chief umpire Tony Mascavage ruled the runner safe, and the game was deadlocked 7-7.

Both sides were unable to produce a marker in the eighth and the game went into the ninth that way. Hal Walker grounded out, whilst Larry Lawrence looked at three fast ones for the second

erasure. Crary worked Lau for a free ride to first, but had lead in his shoes and was caught in an attempt to burgle the mid-way cushion.

### Oliver's Lapse

In the Maroons' turn at bat, Dan Oliver dropped Bill Chang's sitter. After pilfering the key-stone sack, Chang got crossed-up on the coacher's signals and calmly strolled back to first-base to be tagged out. "Morocco" Chan next drew a walk and stole second. Grandpa Leung, coming up to the plate with his pet mace, eluded Crary's cripple into short centre to see Chan, with tie-breaker, cross the pay-off station standing up.

Chuck Waggoner's three in five batting performance was the best, and included a two-bagger. Bernie Johnson blouted the only other extra-base knock with a double.

Brewers went out during the week-end with the sole purpose of fattening their batting averages at the expense of South China and Royal Engineers, and that's exactly what they did.

White-washing the Carolinians 22-0, the Beermen chalked up a total of 17 safeties off moundsmen Ernie Moy and P. I. Lau, whilst Gerry Gosano in his mound debut, doled out one blow in three innings. D. Leonard taking over mound duties in a no-hit, no-run performance for the remaining four sessions.

### Only Round-Tripper

Both Gerry Gosano and Leonard farmed two and walked one, whilst Nam Hwa hurlers Moy and Lau passed two and three respectively. Every Brewer connected for at least one hit, horse-hide banging centre-fielder "Baby" Abbas returning a perfect performance with five singles in his five batting chances, whilst hind-snatcher Lefty Arculli was good for two in three. Dave "Bambino" Leonard slammed a trolley-wire smash to deep left for the only round-tripper during the week-end.

Nam Hwa right-gardener David "Dopey" Lo saved his side from a shut-out, with a hump-backed liner to short-centre.

The H.B.-R.E. tilt was marred by an unfortunate incident, when Sappers' right-gardener, Cork, sustained several severe cuts whilst chasing Oscar Arculli's long hole, which fell on 'You' territory. The accident necessitated Cork's removal to hospital.

After walking six and dishing out eight safeties in four and two-third innings Engineer hurler, Mike Sarsfield, was derrickd in favour of first-sacker Shaw, who took over mound duties for the rest of the game, yielding three

### LEAGUE TABLE TO DATE

	W.	L.	Pcts.
Chung Hwa	2	0	1,000
U.S.S. Mindanao	2	0	1,000
Hong Kong Brewers	3	1	.750
U.S.S. Asheville	1	1	.500
Royal Engineers	1	2	.333
H.K. Baseballers	0	2	.000
South China	0	3	.000

hits. Madeen "Slim" Arculli, who worked on the rubber for the Beermen, was nicked for five safeties and fanned only three.

### Sappers Start Well

Sappers held the Leonard run-making machine in check for the first canto, but the mace-mauling of the super-sluggers soon began to tell, as they chalked up clusters of four and five runs in the second and third to pave the way for an 18-run scoring spree.

Sappers broke the ice in the sixth when Shaw singled, George Souza, guardian of the windy alley, booted a perfect double-play set-up by fumbling Tom Fox's easy roller. Bob Foley next up, rapped out a single to chase Shaw across the counting-station, whilst Fox romped home when Tony "Peewee" Alves heaved a wild one over third base.

The tilt was featured by two twin-killings, when Tony Alves froze on to "Welfie" Welford's lither and caught Ratcliffe off second for an unassisted double-play, and again when Arculli pegged Ratcliffe, at second after Gray had struck out.

## EASIER GOLF

### TOO MUCH REACH By Best Ball

Reaching for the ball is a common error among the average golfers. At times the player labours under the delusion that such a stance enables him to pack more punch in his shot. On other occasions the player may keep edging back from the ball unconsciously or even come by the position in his ever changing search for a posture which will enable him to hit the ball accurately. Such a stance tensos the swinging muscles, and while the player may feel that his position is set enough to put everything in the effort, the actual result is different.

For efficient stroking the stance must be relaxed, almost lazy like in appearance with the arms hanging comfortably from the shoulders. This looseness allows a fluent swing and, with the hands moving close to the body, an impact with the clubhead

### POLICE BOWLS CHANGES

Police are making a few changes in their First Division Lawn Bowls League team against Indian R.C. this week-end.

The rinks led by Shepherd and Mair are unaltered, but Post, who had been leading a rink for some time, now goes to No. 1 following the return of J. C. S. Fender from leave, the latter being given the rink. Post is lead for Fender, while Channing, who was No. 2 to Post last week, has gone down to the Third Division team. Forrest, lead to Post last week, will be No. 2 this time, and S. Nolan's place at No. 3 has been taken by J. Orem. Nolan going to No. 3 in one of the Third Division rinks.

The Third Division team has also been changed. Aitken's rink remains intact, but in MacDonald's quartette W. M. Smith, who was No. 2 to Carey last week, replaces Willcox in the same position, while McHardy's place at No. 3 has been taken by Nolan.

Johnson, No. 3 to Carey last week, moves up to No. 2 this time in place of Smith, who has gone over to MacDonald's rink, while Channing comes in at No. 3, the position held by Johnson last week.

Following are the teams:

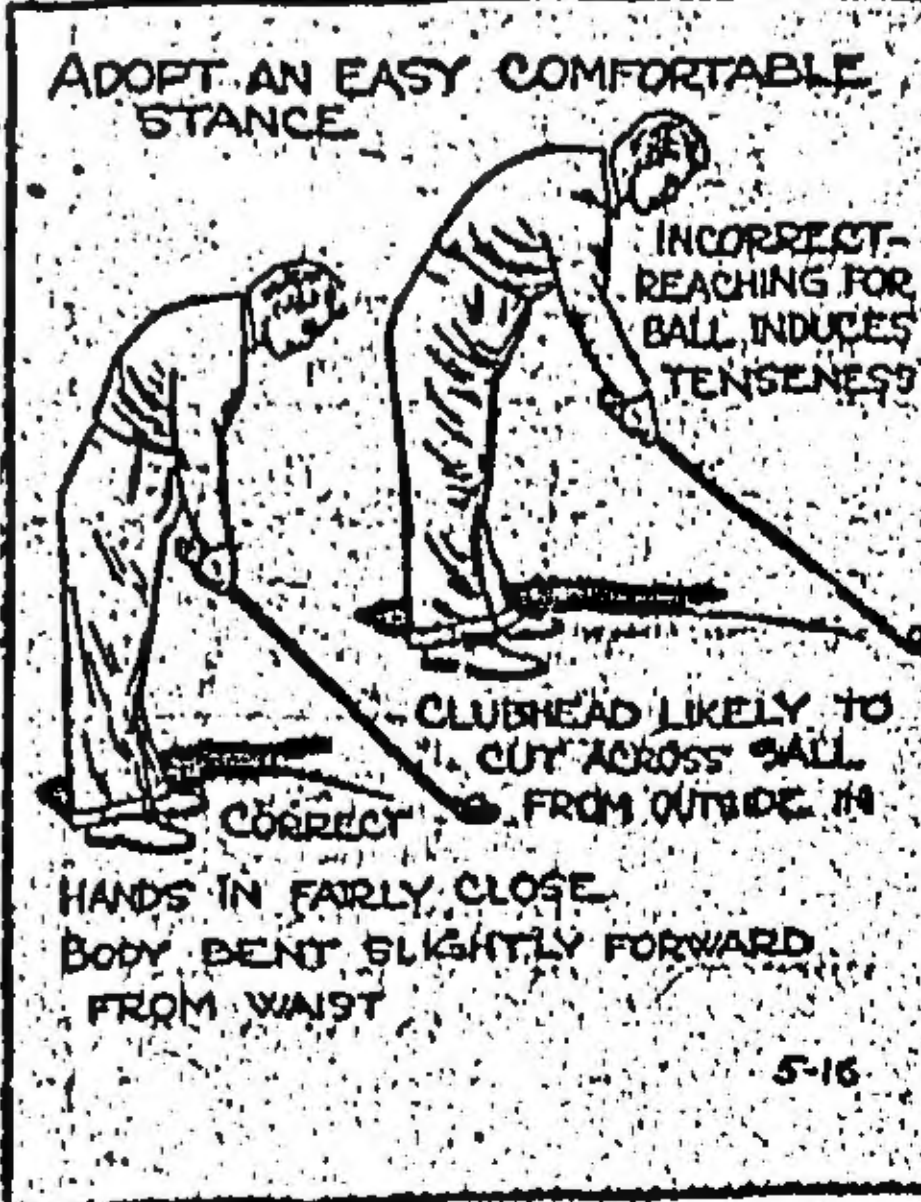
First Division (v I.R.C., Home)  
W. McLeod, W. Harris, W. S. Dall and J. Shepherd (Skip).  
C. H. Gough, C. Pile, G. Perkins and W. Mair (Skip).  
E. G. Post, J. M. Forrest, J. Orem and J. Shepherd (Skip).  
Third Division (v I.R.C., Away)  
J. E. Hayward, J. Riddell, J. R. McWalter, and J. C. Aitken (Skip).  
A. Soutar, W. M. Smith, F. Nolan and J. W. MacDonald (Skip).  
L. C. Pennell, A. J. Johnson, F. Channing and A. E. Carey (Skip).  
Reserves—G. E. Willerton, E. Greenwood, G. Davis and H. B. Dewar.

### No K.C.C. Changes

There are no changes in the Kowloon Cricket Club First Division Lawn Bowls team for this week.

Following is the team:  
A. E. F. Guest, W. W. Parsons, W. Mulcahy and T. A. Madar (Skip).  
N. D. Lloyd, A. W. Ramsey, G. E. Taylor and N. J. Bebbington (Skip).  
A. E. Perry, L. Jack, A. W. Smith and E. C. Fincher (Skip).

Weather permitting, Chung Hwa meet Royal Engineers in a League baseball game at Chatham Road ground to-day at 5.45 p.m.



straight ahead along the line of flight or slightly from the inside out. When the hands are far out from the body control is reduced and club-head is quite likely to cut across the ball from the outside, in causing a slice.  
Next Article.—Left Hip Around.



## MRS. ROUND LITTLE AS COACH

Dorothy Round-Little, famous Wimbledon tennis star, who joined the Seignior Club P.Q., on June 23 as tennis coach for the Summer is, according to Mary Harwick of England, one of the greatest woman players of the game.

Miss Harwick, who was in Montreal recently to discuss plans for her forthcoming exhibition games with Mrs. Little, for the benefit of the Canadian Red Cross, said her countrywoman could compete easily with the three greatest women players in the world, the late Suzanne Lenglen, Helen Wills and Alice Marble (an opinion, incidentally, shared by Miss Marble).

"Dorothy Round is certainly the greatest woman player they ever had in England and, when on her game, is a stylist of rare perfection," said Miss Harwick. "I still can recall a game I played with her on the great centre court at Wimbledon in 1936 when I was on the Wightman Cup Team for the first time. Her speed and perfect stroking then I have always remembered."

### Played With Brothers

Mrs. Little first played tennis with her three elder brothers with no thought of becoming any more than an ordinary player until the age of 16 when she played in her first tournament. This occurred in North Wales in 1926 and her performance attracted the attention of the local press. Encouraged, she entered and won the Worcestershire Junior Championships the following week. The next year she played in London for the first time and surprised everyone by nearly beating Betty Nuthall who, even then, was world famous.

Since those early days Dorothy Round has become an internationally well known figure in the tennis world. She won the Wimbledon championship twice, first when she defeated Helen Jacobs in 1934 and again in 1937 when she won from the Polish star, Jadwiga Jedzejowska.

### Mixed Doubles Wins

She won the mixed doubles championships at Wimbledon three times, once with R. Miki of Japan and in 1935 and 1936 with Fred Perry.

From 1932 to 1937 she was ranked first in Great Britain and was a member of the British Wightman Cup team which visited the United States in 1935. She has toured the world twice winning championships in Australia, United States (the 1933 Pacific Coast championships at Los Angeles when she defeated Alice Marble) and in New Zealand.

Mrs. Little, who is in Canada for the war's duration with her small son, Ian, entered the teaching ranks for the first time when she turned to coaching on the Seignior Club courts this summer. Several other fields were open to the British star, who is the author of two books entitled "Tennis for Girls" and "Modern Lawn Tennis," but her desire to teach the game was foremost.

## SWIMMING GALA VENUE IS CHANGED

The A.N.S. and V.A.D. swimming gala to be held on Saturday, July 12, has been transferred from the European Y.M.C.A. to the larger Army pool. At a meeting yesterday it was decided to reorganise the programme.

In view of the fact that the change of venue entailed a change of distance (the Y.M.C.A. is 25 yards long and the Army 33-1/3) it was decided to limit the A.N.S. and V.A.D. events to a length each. The following programme was approved:

A.N.S. v. V.A.D. in free-style, breast-stroke, back-stroke, relay and diving.

Y.M.C.A. Members two lengths free-style.

One length obstacle race. Garrison Officers v. Volunteer Officers Relay (teams of eight). Exhibition Diving.

New chips do not always have a perfect launching, writes A. Linde Fowler in "The Christian Science Monitor." Something like that, metaphorically speaking, seems to have overtaken the recent launching of the Golf Hall of Fame, idea of Fred Corcoran, tournament manager of the Professional Golfers' Association of America, the organization which sponsored the movement.

The idea, copied from baseball, seemed to meet with general approval. There were no loud dissenters, apparently, when the personnel of the first selection committee was made known, with Grantland Rice as chairman; O. B. Keeler, Kerr Petrie and this writer as the other members, all with a wealth of background provided by from 30 to 40 years of reporting and commenting on affairs of the links.

It was not until this committee had named, as the first of the great whose names were to be perpetuated in some suitable fashion, Francis D. Ouimet, Walter C. Hagen, Gene Sarazen and Robert Tyre Jones, Jr. (naming them in the calendarial order of their first major national or international victories) that the sports columnists began to pound their typewriter keyboards and grind out copy criticising both the committee and the P. G. A.

### No Girl Named

Criticisms, for the most part, as I gather from Fred Corcoran, are that the committee failed to name

a number of amateurs and professionals whose deeds fully justified their inclusion in the niches of fame, and was decidedly remiss in not having named a single female. In other words, the committee has been assailed more from the angle of omission than of commission. As an individual, rather than as a committeeman, I will agree that failure to include the gentler sex was a lamentable oversight, which probably never would have occurred had the committee met as a group, instead of comparing notes as their paths crossed in their peregrinations.

### Absentees

With those who charge the committee with having been remiss in not naming, in their initial group, such men as Jerome D. Travers, four times winner of the national amateur championship and one of the open; Charles E. (Chick) Evans, as winner of the national amateur twice and the national open once, the same as Francis Ouimet, and with those who name others well worthy of a place in the Hall of Fame, I have no quarrel. Such critics do the committee little credit in suggesting that the names and fame of such golfers were either ignored, unknown, or overlooked.

### Carry On Selections

What these critics fail to take into account was that the P. G. A. was indirectly paying a real compliment to the growing ranks of

golf writers in purposely limiting the selections of the initial committee of "veteran writers" to four men, thus leaving it to the much larger circle of golf writers throughout the country to carry on the selections, in future, and by their majority vote name the men who in their selective opinion should be memorialised.

Again as a commentator, rather than as a committeeman, I venture the opinion that the P. G. A. might wisely have empowered its "veteran" first Hall of Fame Committee to name not four, but 10 or a dozen or more golfers at the very outset, for a variety of reasons. First and foremost, the members of this committee are more conversant with the deeds and personalities of the great golfers of the past than a large majority of the newer crop of writers and might advance cogent reasons why some golfer should be included whose name and fame are little known to the present-day golfing scribes, except for what they might find in the U.S.G.A. or P.G.A. Year Books.

### Only Half Story

Such statistics may tell only half the story. The book records in baseball, for example, convey more than do those in golf, in my opinion. In baseball, furthermore, the greats of the game appear time and time again before thousands in all cities where major league baseball is played, whereas the greats of golf gaze their laurels

largely from one or two appearances a year, either in national open or amateur championships for the men, and the one national for the women, supplemented, perhaps, by their efforts in foreign competition.

### Slight Differences

Moreover, would a so-called modern writer give much consideration to a man who won a national open with a total of 331, as Willie Anderson did in 1901, as compared to the scores which win national open titles to-day? Would he give the proper consideration to the changes in balls, implements, grooming of courses and other factors which have brought about such a wide variance? As one little example, Alex Smith was second, with 335, in the national open of 1899, whereas 23 years later, long past his prime, he was tied for fifth at the Columbia C.C., Chevy Chase, Md., with a total of 303.

In a forthcoming series of Saturday articles I will have the temerity to present a group of names of golfers who in my opinion deserve to be in the Golf Hall of Fame, together with my reasons, and also to answer at least one critic who wants to know why Francis Ouimet should be selected ahead of Chick Evans.

A demonstration water-polo game between Royal Navy and Army scheduled to have taken place tonight at the Army Pool has been postponed.

## NEWMARKET RACING CARNIVAL

Some of the glories of Royal Ascot will be revived at Newmarket to-day and to-morrow when substitute races for those normally held on the famous Berkshire Heath will be run.

War-time's first Ascot will be stripped of the usual glamour, such as the fashion parade and Royal Family's state arrival along the course, but the racing will be of the highest standard.

With the exception of the Derby winner, Owen Tudor, which is unlikely to run again until the St. Leger in September, all the leading horses are engaged for the valuable prizes offered by the Ascot authorities who, though unable to use their own course which is serving other purposes, are anxious to maintain such events as the Coventry Stakes and Queen Mary Stakes for two-year-olds, St. James Palace Stakes for three-year-olds and the Gold Cup.

The Royal touch may quite possibly be provided by the King scoring a great double with his unbeaten two-year-olds Big Game and Sun Chariot in the Coventry and Queen Mary respectively.

Starters and jockeys in the Gold Cup are:

Top Coat (Elliott); Finis (Harry Wragg); Winterhalter (D. Smith); Oliden (Carey); Ling Legend (Beary); Hipplius (Eph Smith); Single Court (Cliff Richards).—Reuter.

### EASTERN WIN 13-0

The touring Eastern footballers had a field day at Wagga on Monday, beating the local team by 13 goals to nil.

The second Test match will be played on July 5 at Sydney. The Chinese won the first Test by 6-4.

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# CHINESE INDIGNATION

## Demand Rupture Of Relations With Axis

### German Step To Influence Tokyo Policy

INDIGNATION OVER German and Italian recognition of the bogus Wang Ching-wei regime is expressed by local Chinese papers in editorials this morning. The opinion generally shared is that the move by the Axis Powers is designed to induce Japan to strike at Soviet Russia in support of the German invasion.

In a leader entitled "Sever Relations with Germany and Italy" (since announced) the "Ta Kung Pao" says that in the recognition of "Manchukuo" and Japan's so-called "New order in East Asia" following the conclusion of the Triple Alliance last year, Germany and Italy had already displayed an antagonistic attitude toward China.

Their de jure recognition of the Wang regime further indicates that they are determined to take a hostile stand vis-a-vis the Chinese nation.

Since the division in international camps is now clear, the paper continues, China should not hesitate any longer to take effective steps to cope with the situation, and the recall of the staffs of the Chinese Embassies in Berlin and Rome is was but the first of a series of steps to be taken.

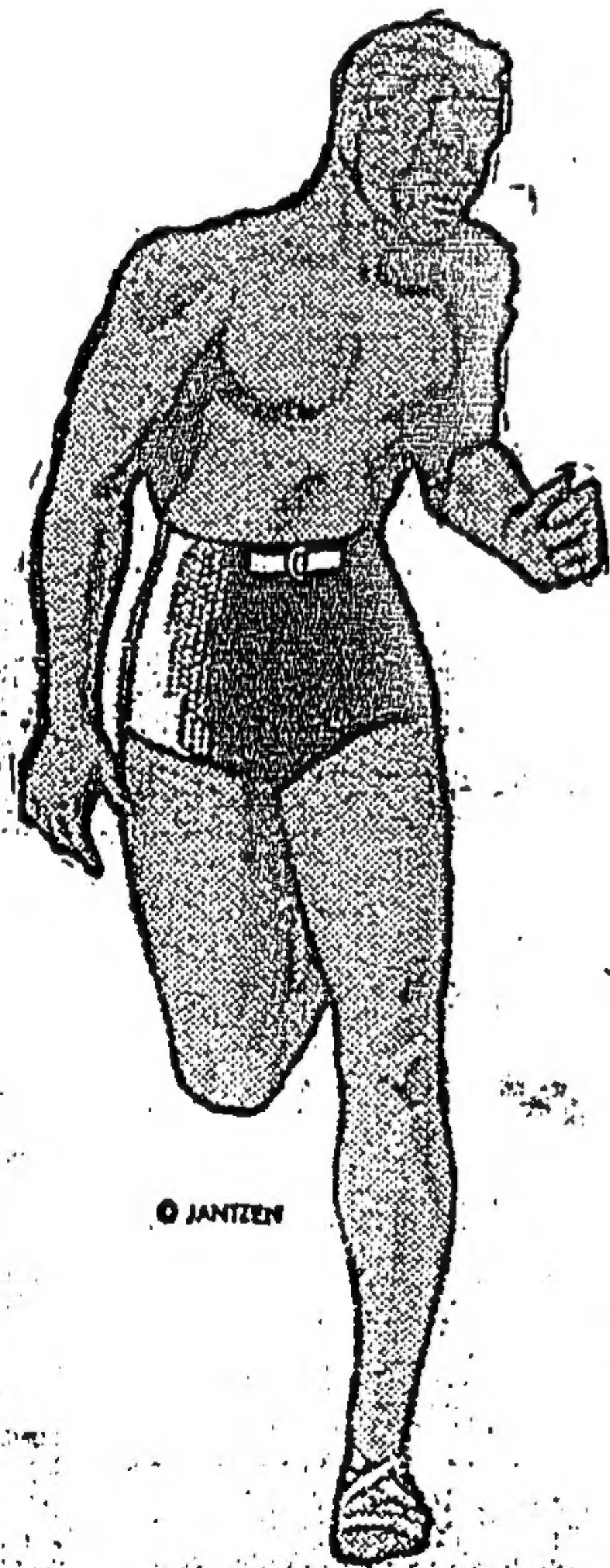
Criticising the de jure recognition, the paper declares that it will in no way elevate the status of the Wang Ching-wei regime since it is known to everyone that it was set up entirely by Japanese militarists. China is at present having a final reckoning with Japan and when this ends in China's favour, the puppet regime will be wiped out at the same time.

"Accept Germany's Challenge!" is the title of a leading article in the "National Times" which declares that severance of relations with the Reich is the only effective way to deal with a country participating in Japan's aggression in the Far East.

Belittling the German step, the journal says that when China is able to hold out against more than 1,000,000 Japanese troops on a 5,000-li front, a mere piece of paper giving recognition to the bogus regime will prove to be only a boomerang.

The "Lih Pao" says that Germany's recognition of the Wang Ching-wei regime is aimed at inducing Japan to enter the war with Soviet Russia.

The "Kung Sheung Daily News" says that Germany's recognition of the Wang Ching-wei regime is timed to induce Japan to launch her northern drive. — Central News.



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### SHANGHAI FREEDOM OF PRESS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")  
LIEUT. - COL. KUNIO AKIYAMA, SHANGHAI ARMY SPOKESMAN, HAS LODGED A COMPLAINT WITH THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OVER AN ARTICLE IN THE "CHINA WEEKLY REVIEW," PUBLISHED AND EDITED BY JOHN BENJAMIN POWELL, WIDELY-KNOWN HARD-HITTING VETERAN AMERICAN JOURNALIST AND CORRESPONDENT.

Earlier on, 30 copies of the "Weekly Review" were seized by the Settlement Police but the confiscation was halted on a protest by Powell.

Lieut.-Col. Akiyama demanded steps against the magazine, which is known as one of the most fearless and factual in the Far East, and claimed that the article was insulting to the Japanese Army and the Japanese ruling family.

#### Close Watch

It is considered that the freedom of the foreign press in Shanghai's International Settlement is menaced by the Japanese Army spokesman's statement attacking the "Weekly Review."

The spokesman has now said "It is highly regrettable" that the magazine is allowed to be sold in the Settlement and declares that he will see the Settlement Police Commissioner again on that score.

The matter is being closely watched by foreigners, as it is feared that any "appeasement" towards Japan regarding the magazine will imperil the independent stand of other periodicals published in the Settlement. — International News Services.

### AXIS CAUTION ON RUSSIA

"The fighting in the Russo-German war is still in its early stages and will demand a further big effort on the part of the Axis," states Signor Gayda, in the "Giornale d'Italia," continuing the Italian press warning against the belief that the war will soon be over.

Gayda adds: "The fighting on the Russian front does not present possibilities of easy victories. It is prudent not to exaggerate the facts nor to talk about decisive developments."

"The Russians still dispose great masses of men and material and has well prepared defence lines in huge territories which will certainly assist the defence." — Reuter.

### CAR INJURES SEVEN

SWERVING TO AVOID COLLISION WITH ANOTHER CAR, A PRIVATE CAR, NO. 5150, DRIVEN BY CHAN YUK, MOUNTED THE PAVEMENT IN QUEEN VICTORIA STREET AND INJURED SEVEN STREET SLEEPERS AT ABOUT 12.45 A.M. TO-DAY.

The car was turning from Queen Victoria Street into Queen's Road Central.

All the injured persons were sent to Queen Mary Hospital, but only one was detained.

### U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PROPOSED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The abolishment of the War and Navy Departments and the creation of an overall Department of Defence, with a secretary to be named by President Roosevelt, was proposed in a Bill before the Senate by Senator Johnson Kilgore, of Virginia. — Reuter.

### SHANGHAI BUND BATTLE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

SHANGHAI'S FAMED WATERFRONT TO-DAY BECAME THE SCENE OF AN OLD-TIME BATTLE AS 15 WERE SERIOUSLY INJURED AND SCORES HURT IN A FIERCE HAND-TO-HAND ARMED CLASH BETWEEN RIVAL GROUPS OF WHARF COOLIES.

A crowd of 120 coolies discharged by Butterfield and Swire swept down on the new group of about the same strength and the police stood helplessly by as the coolies swung at each other with fists, sticks and other implements.

Police reinforcements eventually broke up the fight and 70 were arrested. — International News Service.

### CHANNEL ISLANDS BLITZ?

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The London "Daily Sketch" says that in addition to raids on the Continent by R.A.F. patrols operating round the clock, they have cut off the Nazi garrisons in the Channel Islands, Guernsey and Jersey, shooting down troop-carrying planes and bombing supply ships.

The "Daily Sketch" gave the opinion that the Germans might soon be forced to evacuate the British islands from the French coast, occupied shortly after the collapse of France, now that their supplies have been cut off.

It suggested that Britain may retake the islands, perhaps by a parachute invasion. Six enemy planes were shot down and one British plane was lost. — International News Service.

### HEAVY FIRES AT DUISBURG

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

British bombers again took part in a devastating raid on Western Germany when industrial works were attacked. Many fires were started and these were particularly severe at Duisburg. — International News Service.

### STOP PRESS

Fifty-three cholera cases, with 30 deaths, were registered with the Medical Department last week. Sixteen were from Victoria, 21 from Kowloon, two from Shaokwan, eleven from rural Hong Kong, including Aberdeen, and three from the harbour. There were also 41 dysentery cases with 21 deaths, and 23 typhoid cases with 11 deaths. Tuberculosis accounted for 227 cases and 138 deaths.

The Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo will ask the questions of which he gave notice at the last meeting of Legislative Council concerning the appointment of a Lady Assessor for the War Revenue Department, at to-morrow's meeting of Council.

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